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Hongkong, 1st July, 1880. THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE OCIETY

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CHINA AND JAPAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

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NOTICE. THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of the late Mr. JOHN HENRY SMITH in our

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Honokono, 14th May, 1801

STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

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27th April, 1891.

BANK HOLIDAY.

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Manager, Hongkong. For the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking CORPORATION. F. Dr POVIS, Acting Chief Manager.

LIMITED, E. W. RUTTER, Manager.

For the New Oriental Bank Corporation,

For the COMPTOIR NATIONAL D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS. L. GLENAT, Acting Agent.

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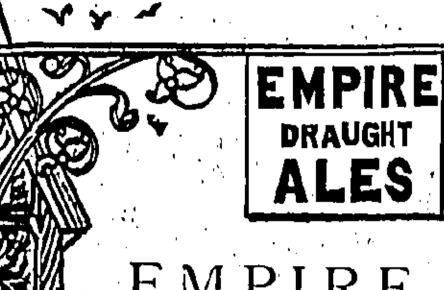
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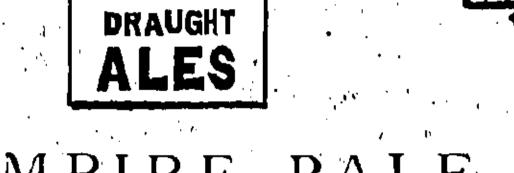
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THE OFFICE of the above named Company has been temporarily REMOVED to No. 5, PEDDER'S HILL, IN R. JOHN GRANT will take charge of this where all communications respecting the Com-By Order of the Board of Directors.

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FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND

Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before NOON, TO-

DAY. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th inst., will be subject to All claims against the Steamer must be pre-

sented to the Undersigned on or before the 25th

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,

inst., or they will not be recognised.

Hongkong, 18th May, 1801. OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAM SHIP COMPANY. NOTICE

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Hongkong, 18th May, 1801. UNION LINE. ... NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Honokone, 20th May, 1801

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CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,

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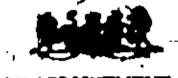
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HONGKONG WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 1891.

TELEGRAMS.

MR. GLADSTONE'S HEALTH, LONDON, May 12th.

Mr. Gladstone is confined to his room, suffering from a cold and fever.

GREAT BRITAIN AND PORTUGAL. The modus vivendi with Portugal has been prolonged, pending the negociations now being carried on between the British and Portuguere Governments.

THE NEWFOUNDLAND DISPUTE. The Bill brought forward by Lord Knutsford, Secretary of State for the Colonies, has been passed by the House of Lords.

LA GRIPPE.

May 18th, The epidemic of influenza continues unabated in England.

TEMPORIZING WITH PORTUGAL. The modus vivendi has been prolonged for a

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE British gunboat Pigmy arrived to-day from Japan, and the Redpole left for Amoy.

MR. F. S. A. Bourne, the new vice-consul at Canton, arrived this morning from Foochow by the Douglas Co. is steamer Haftan.

To-MORROW evening a smoking concert will be given in the City Club, as a sort of information inauguration of that worthy institution,

THE Directors of the Hongkong and China Gas Company recommends dividend of to per cent and a honus of 23 per cent. for the past year.

A LOT of drain-layers were blasting a rocky bi of road at West Point, this morning, when nebble of about 18 lbs, weight shook hands with the ribs of one of the gang. He might have deserved it, but—de mortuls, etc.

AT the Legislative Council meeting to-morrow the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to amend the Law In respect of the sale of shares in Companies registered under the Companies Ordinances 1856 to 1886 and in other Joint Stock Companies." will be read a second time.

A NEW steamer—the Loo Sok—has been added to the fleet of the Scottish Oriental Steamship Company. She was piloted hither from Glasgow (having been built by the Fairfield Co.) by Capt. Benson, arriving this morning. She is 1,020 tons register, 270 feet long, and 36 feet beam.

FIVE Chinamen were charged at the Police Court this morning with gambling in a house in Gilman's Bazaar, last night. Acting Inspector Mann gave the usual details of arrest, and the keeper of the house was fined \$5 or fourteen days, the rest of the defendants being fined s dollar each.

LAST Wednesday morning Messrs. Mackensle & Co.'s compradore's office, at Shanghal, was broken into and 15,000 cash stolen from the compradore's money box. The thief actually took 20,000 cash, but being unable to carry so much away, he dropped 5.000 cash outside the room. He had bitten off more than he could

AT the Magistracy this afternoon before Mr. A. G. Wise, Ram Singh, a Gun Lascar, and Lo Yut, a hawker, were charged with committing a nameless offence at McGregor Barracks on Saturday last. Mr. Wotton defended the first defendant. After the medical evidence had been given his Worship committed the accused for trial, ball being refused.

THE performance of "David Garrick" which Mrs. Brown Potter and Mr. Kyrle Bellew Intended to give on Saturday evening will have to stand over until their return from Japan, some six weeks hence. However, on Friday evening they will be supported by a number of amateurs, when a choice programme of general elocutionary selections will be provided.

Wit have to acknowledge receipt of a copy of an Interesting little pamphlet entitled "The Kingdom of Siam; its progress and prospects," by Captain A. J. Lostus, F. R. G. S., hydrographer to the King. In carefully perusing this brockurs we may find something sufficiently interesting to our readers to Justify a review of Captain Loftus notions regarding the Land of the White Elephant.

PATRICK HIGGINS, a private in the A. & S DIRECTORY" may be sent to the following Highlanders, was charged before Mr. Wise at the Magistracy this morning with stealing a pair of shoes, the property of Private Howis, on Saturday last. Evidence was given that the defendant was seen taking the shoes from the complainant's room, and that he afterwards disposed of them to a seaman on board the steamer Teheran. The defendant, upon being asked what he had to say, said it was a compile cated affair. The Magistrate solved the complication by sentencing him to a month's imprisonment with hard labour,

THE Canadian-Pacific steamer Empress of Japan left the Mersey on April 12th with 130 passengers, who are on what is amusingly described as "a trip round the world." The new steamer will call at Gibraltar, Naples, Port Said, Suez, Colombo, and Singapore, en rouls to Hongkong, and will then take her place on the regular line between here and Vancouver. Sir Charles Gooch, Colonel West and family, Capt. | the Peak: A number of houses in Queen's Road and Lady Rose, and Ladies Mahel and Nesta and Praya East were reported to be very badly Fitzgerald are among the passengers on board, drained; and the Committee's report on the site and Major-General Newdegate was expected to | for a new western market, recommending that

arrive bere on Saturday next.

AT the Magistracy this afternoon Mr. Wisc resumed the inquiry into the circumstances attending the death of Kwok Chun, a boy who died from the effects of injuries received by the fall of a verandah in Station Street, Yau-ma-ti, on the 30 h ulto. Mr. Sample, Inspector of Buildings, said he had visited the premises. He was of opinion that the verandah had fallen in consequence of the foundations baving sunk. The work appeared to be of the usual kind. He suggested that the prople who tenanted such premises should not be allowed to store goods on the verandahs, nor yet use them as 'dwelling places. Mr. Wise returned a verdict of "Accidental death."

THE Tientsin correspondent of the Shanghai Mercury writes on May 5th :- On Monday we had a most interesting phenomenon, for there was only two feet of water on the Taku Bar at high tide. The lowest remembered is 5 feet 8 inches. The Chinese I am told have no record of the tide ever being so low before, and it was supposed here that an extraordinary gale was blowing in the Gulf, but as far as I can find out the gale that was blowing on Sunday and Morday was nothing out of the common, Yesterday there were twenty-one vessels on both sides of the bar, either waiting to come in or go out. am fully persuaded that it is not the river that wants deepening, but the Bar itself, and this could easily be done.

THE National Bank of China (Limited) was registered in London by Paine, Son and Pollock. with a capital of £1.000,000, in 750 £1 founders' shares and 99,925 £10 ordinary shares. The Company's business in Europe is to be under the control of the London Board of Directors. consisting of not more than ten nor less than three, each of whom must be permanently resident in Great Britain; such directors shall be nominated by the subscribers to the Memorandum of Association. muneration, £350. The Company's business in Shanghai and in Northern China shall be under the management of the Shanghai board. which shall consist of not less than three nor more than ten. Remuneration for the Hongkong and Shanghal boards, \$,000 for each director—the total to be divisible, as they shall determire. Qualification: Hongkong directors, £1,000; London or Shanghai directors, £:00.

WE bear, save the Japan Daily Herald, that circular has been issued to the several offices of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, intimating that the agents of the Company are to be Japanese in stead of foreigners, the present Agents being lowered to the second position, as a preliminary it is to be presumed, to their services being ulti mately dispensed with altogether, as soon as it may be deemed safe to do so. Also, that the signatures to bills of Irding will be those of Japanese officers. With respect to the last proposed alteration, it is open we believe to question, as to whether under Japanese law, apanese signatures will suffice, since to make Japanese documents binding, seals rather than signatures are essential. It is possible that foreign banks may entertain objections to the acceptance of bills of lading with Japanese signatures only, for apart from anything else. it will be next to impossible to challenge and detect forgeries, should such be attempted.

THE crash with which old Noah's junk struct the highest pinnacle of Mount Ararat was but trifle compared to that which brought friend Bellyjoss and his illustrious party to an anchor on Saturday night, when sailing on the placid bosom of the Pearl river en route to the famous City of Rams, but anyhow.-

Chrenically funked is a pitlable plight,

There they lay all that night

But as old "Sol" asserted himself on the following morning it was ascertained that the barge was hard and fast on the bar, so prayers were at once offered up for the safe deliverance of the valuable cargo, and "Old Nick" having many other irons in the fire was more easily propitinged than would have been the case under ordinary circumstances, and was induced to forbear casting his net. Purnour bath it, however, that a most anxious time was passed, and when at last the Kingfisher was once more got under weigh, sacrifices were offered up, and the party eventually reached Canton none, the wirse for its unwonted exertions in the praying line. Sky pilots now are like the majority of local stocksat a considerable discount.

THE London and China Express of April 17th says :- From Yunnan we hear that the fine machinery, valued at £4,000 to £5,000, imported vid Japan from England last year, has arrived there, but has been laid saide, as the Japanese Engineers, formerly employed by the Mining Commissioner, have returned to Japan, their term of three years' service being complete. is true a Japanese miner went up with the machinery, but as his pay only amounts to \$50 a month we may be sure that his abilities are not likely to be of much use to his employers. No good will ever be derived from the rich mines of and Kuei-Chou, until capable, respectable, and well-paid foreigners have been employed to develop them in a proper manner, As to other matters in Yunnan they are not much more satisfactory. "On the death of Tre . Yu-Ying, late Viceroy of that Prevince, the French had a little respite in Tonquin. Now, however, that Tsen's brother has been appointed Provincial Judge of Yunnan, with Command-in-Chief of all the auxiliary troops still maintained n that Province, the French are again being harassed in Tonquin, and will continue to be so until they renew an aggressive policy. The Trêns are all related with the frontier chiefs by

A MEETING of the Sanitary Board was held thi afternoon, when seven members were present Letters were laid on the table-from the Government approving the site selected for the Vaccine Institute; and from the local branch of the British Medical Association calling attention to the difficult and serious question of exhuming the semains of Chineso dead, which should hel allowed to lie buried at least 15 or 20 years, and in cases of cholera, small pox. etc., should not be disturbed at all, which course would soon present such a serious aspect as to suggest the consideration of some other method of disposal in place of burying on this island. A to mercy, however, on the ground that he Committee was appointed to consider the question, consisting of the Vice President, the Colonial Surgeon, and Dr. Ho Kal. On the mortality returns up to May 16 h, Mr. Francis and Dr. Cantile drew attention to the admission of small pox cases to the Tung Wa Hospital. In reply to 15 petitions for laundry accommodetion it was decided to inform the petitioners as before, that the applications would be noted: there were only ten laundries. It was also decided to recommer d to the Government that i a latring be erroted near the trainway station at join at Gibraitar. The vessel is expected to the market be as near as possible to the present one, was adopted.

IT is stated that considerable applications were THE price paid by the German Emperor received from Chinese in the Far East for the Scotch yacht Thistle was £5,500. She shares of the National Bank of China issued in | will be re-christened Meteor, and will take part in the English Regattas.

> AT the Police Court, this morning, before Mr. Wise, eight 'ricksha coolies were fined a Mexican each, for obstructing traffic near the Clock Tower yesterday a ternoon. That is as it should be. But the broker still besieges the Hotel.

> WRITING on May 10th, a correspondent of the N. C. Daily News says :- On the 6th inst. Mr. Carles embarked on the Changen on his homeward voyage, and Mr. E. L. B. Allen took charge of the British Consulate. All the foreign residen's turned out to wish Mr. Carles a bon voyage. That a serious outrage was contemplated at Yangchow some ten days ago on the Jesuit Mission there appears to be no doubt, but the would-be rioters were promptly "sat upon" by the Chinese authorities, with the help of a large contingent of soldiers. The cause, as usual, is the dissemination of reports of the alleged ill-treatment of children at the Orphanage, and it was even reported that one of them had been boiled in a bath! What an interesting people these Chinese are leave

UNDER the heading "Important to Government Dehtors," the Straits Times of the 6th inst. says :- A case of considerable importance to Government debtors, and especially so to witnesses who are bound over to give evidence at the Assize Court, came on for hearing before Mr. Justice Goldney on Monday, when the Attorney-General applied for an order for the arrest and committal of one Sowsah Merican. The facts of the case briefly are as follows:-A man named Sowsah Merican was bound over to give evidence at the Assizes; he failed to appear and his recognizances were estreated. The Attorney-General commenced a suit under the Crown Suits Ordinance against Merican on the estreated recognizances, and obtained judgment and took out execution. The Sheriff returned nolla bona, and on that the Attorney-General applied to the Registrar to issue a writ for the arrest of Sowiah Merican and his committal to prison. As a person's arrest in cases between subject and subject was abolished by the Debtor's Ordinance, the Registrar referred the matter to the Court under Section 361 of the Civil Procedure Ordinance. On Monday the Attorney-General applied to the Court for the issue of the writ and the Court ordered that it should be issued. It is perfectly clear that in England the Debtors Ordinance does not affect Crown debts, and therefore a man who is indebted to the Crown can be arrested. Here, the only, doubt is as to how the Crown Suits Ordinance has made an alteration in the law. The Court was satisfied that the Attorney-General had shown a primi facie case for the issue of the warrant, and allowed it to be issued. leaving it to the debtor to apply to the Court to set it aside if he chose."

SUPREME COURT.

IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

(Before Sir James Russell, Chief Justice)

May 20th.

THE AFFRAY AT COSMOPOLITAN DOCK. Toh Sin, compradore at the Cosmopolitan Dock was indicted, first with feloniously wounding Yu Shan with intent, and secondly with causing bodily hurt, on the 4th March. The following jurors were empanelled: -P. G. Kribbe, H. P. Milliades de Figuiredo, R. T. Wright H. W. B. Ehmers. E. A. Rand, J. Wilkie, and I Mauricio.—The Attorney-General (Mr. W. M. Goedman) prosecuted, and Mr. Francis, Q.C.

The Attorney General rehearsed the facts of ine case, to the effect that a boilermaker at the Cosmopolitan Dock had lost four cents gambling, but could not pay. A quarrel resulted, and on the next day a free fight occurred, in which six men were hurt, and prisoner, who was compradore at the deck, was said to have wounded some of them with two

The evidence of Yu Shan and Leong Fat went to show that prisoner had set up a gambling place. The man who could not pay the four cents had left his coat as security, and next day took the money and asked for his coat. The men in the compradore's house, who were engine fitters, assaulted him, and this led to a general fight between the fitters and the boiler-makers. Yu Shan saw prisoner attacking a man, and at once called out to his friends; Toh Sin then cut down Yu Shan, and some fifty or sixty on each side took part in the fight.

The Sikh watchman stated that he did not see any blow struck, as immediately the disturbance began he ran away, and did not return until all was quiet,

Mr. Henry Smith, superintendent at the Dock, said that defendant had been eight years in the Company's service, and was always very quiet and well behaved.

Mr. Francis addressed the july, urging the insufficiency of the evidence against the prisoner. A fight took place among scores of coolies, and the prisoner was charged as the responsible man, although there was no clear evidence against him. And even if it was he who did use violence, it was necessary in selfdefence, as the compradore's duty was to keep order, in the absence of police or European authority. It was evident that a large crowd of men went to the spot armed, intending to fight, and the prisoner was in serious danger.

The Attorney General replied briefly. The gambling house established by prisoner was th fons et origo of the whole quarrel, which ended faially. There was no evidence that the compradore was attacked or compelled to defend himself with the swords; the men whom he cut were themselves unarmed.

The Chief Justice, in summing-up, reviewed the evidence in detail, pointing out that no man had a right, when taking arms in self defence, to pursue his assailants and cut them down as they ran away. There was not much doubt that the compradore did this, and the excuses put forward for him were not a deferce. That was the only material point for the jury to decide.

The jury acquitted the prisoner on the first count, and found him guilty on the second by s majority of six to one, adding a recommendation received great provocation.

Sentence was deserred until to-morrow.

LIFE IN VICTORIA GAOL.

At the Magistracy this morning before Mr. A. G. Wise, the adjourned summons against J. L. Wood, turnkey, for having introduced liquor into the Gaol, and having given a cigar to a prisoner named John Gray, was called. Mr. Stokes, Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, on behalf of Mr. A. M. Thomson, Acting Superintendent of Victoria Gaol, and Mr. Caldwell, of Messes, Caldwell and Wilkinson, defended.

Upon the defendant's name being called he did not appear,

case, as the defendant had not rut in an appearance. Did Mr. Stokes ask for a warrant? Mr. Stokes asked if sentence could not be

His Worship said he could give Wood si months' hard labour, but how was he going to undergo the sentence if he had left the Colony? Mr. Stokes then applied for a warrant for Wood's arrest. J. Quinn, head-turnkey, Victoria Gaol, upon

remand, came up for sentence for introducing spirituous liquors into the Gaol to be used by prisoners, on the 25th December, 1890-Mr. Stokes prosecuted. His Worship asked Mr. Stokes if he had any

more evidence to produce, and was answered in the negative. The defendant said he had no further state-

ment to make in his defence. His Worship, addressing the defendant, said be thought that the amount of bail he fixed on the last occasion was sufficient to show that he considered the charge amply proved. He would consider the time Quinn had been in the Government service and the fact of his having risen to be a head-turnkey. Under the Ordinance he was

liable to a fine of £20 or six months! imprisonment, or both. However he would take into consideration the length of the defendant's service. and would impose a fine of £10.

.THE "TAI-ON" CASE.

CASE DISMISSED.

Chau U Fal and Ho Ying Ming, of the Ping Ki shop, Praya Central, were summoned before Mr. Wise, at the Police Court this morning with having unlawfully and wilfully made a false declaration, contrary to 18 and 19 Vic. sec. 91, on the 6th April last, Mr. Stokes, Acting Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, and Mr. Ewens, of Messrs. Ewens and Reece, defended the first, and Mr. Caldwell, of Messrs, Caldwell and Wilkinson, the second defendant.

Mr. Stokes said he proposed to take the cases reparately, and would take the case against Chau U Fai first. He then read the charge.

Mr. Ewens submitted that the Court had no jurisdiction to try who the owner of the ship was, and that it ought to be a civil case.

Mr. Stokes said the defendant was charged with having made a false declaration; the question was not whether the defendant was the owner

Comd. W. C. Hastings, R.N., Acting Harbour Master, said that by virtue of his appoint ment he was the registrar of shipping. The declaration produced was made before him on the 6th April by the defendant. consequence of certain facts he had heard, he had an interview with the defendant on the 23rd April. He then made a statement to the effect that he was one of the owners of the Tai-on. There were seven partners, five or six of whom lived in Hongkong; the others lived in Canton The ship was worth \$80,000. He owned 32/64 of the ship, and at that time there had been no division of profits, and should any liability be incurred all the shareholders would bear a like proportion. The statement was signed by Mr. J. H. Stewart-Lockhart, and dated April 23rd, 1891. The interview took place in the Registrar-General's, office Mr. Steward-Lockhart acted as interpreter. The defendant declared to the statement.

Cross-examined-The defendant went to the Attorney-General's office. He was asked to go there by witness, as he thought there was something wrong about his naturalization papers. Witness asked him to tell him all he knew about that matter. 'He was not cautioned in any way about incriminating himself. The defendant spoke in Chinese, and afterwards signed the statement. All the conversation that took place was in Chinese and he took the answers to his questions down in English. They were read over to him in Chinese, which was translated by Mr. Stewart-Lockhart.

Mr. J. H. Stewart-Lockbart, Registrar-General said that he was present on April 23rd, when the defendant made a statement. Witness interpreted in the interview. The statement was afterwards read over to him and signed.

Cross-examined-The defendant was present at the instance of the Harbour-master. Witness did not put any questions to him on his own account; he merely acted as interpreter. Chan Wan Chi said that he, was, one of the

masters of the Kwong Hip Loong shop, No. 44. Praya East. The shop was a boat-building and machine shop. He had an entry in his book headed the Wing Tai shop. The entry commenced from the year before last. It began on the "19th day, 8th moon, 15th year! Kwargsu, (September 13th, 1889) \$30,000 as earnest money for the boat Tai-on." All the entries were for that boat for work done. The page was headed the Wing Tai Hong, He had no share in the Tal-on steamer ! he formerly had. The interest he had was a \$2,000 or more share. He never had a \$10,000 interest in the physique is quite in harmony with the romantic steamer, Through him persons had obtained young Veronese nobleman. Mr. Bellew is a that amount of shares. Altogether all shares good, without being a great elocutionist; and his got through him amounted to \$30,000. The voice, possibly never of exceptional quality. amount swelled from \$10,000 to \$30,000, because they found out that they had not got sufficient capital. The increase took place during about twelve months. There was scrip issued for the shares. He obtained shares for Kwok Wong Fong; the members belonged to Canton ; Wal Un Fong, Hing Fong and Wing Ip Fong all of Canton. He did not deal direct with the hongs, but through friends. Formerly these friends were shareholders. King was one of those friends, also Choung Wing In. who lived at Canton. U Fong Shang. also had a share. All the shares had since been sold to the defendant either on the 4th or 6th April. Witness sold his own shares on the 3rd or 4th April for \$2,000 or more. He sold them at a ten per cent. discount. All the rest of the shares were sold at the same price. It was an out

and out sale. He then ceased to have any interest. in the ship, but as she was engined by his firm; powerful scene when he gives Julies the potion, be must still inspect her from time to time; He Mr. Bellew appeared as the Friar. Mr. J. J. was sure of the date of the selling of his shares ... Hazeland had a chance of scoring as Balthagar, He remembered because he had to sign a paper. He built the boat and received money from intending subscribers. He did tell Mr. Osmund that he had an interest amounting to \$10,000 in the steamer Tal on on the 3rd April. He also said his object in becoming naturalized was so that he could fly the British flag, but not with reference to the Talon steamer. He did say that if the vessel should become his property it would be a good thing to be naturalized.

Cross-examined—Hegotsubscriptions for about \$3,000. The defendant was now owner of them. He held half the steamer, He held the scrip, which was transferred to him, on the 3rd or 4th, April.

U Fung Shang said that he knew the steamer Tas On. He formerly possessed \$2,000 worth of shares, but the shares got through him amounted to \$14,000. He, and the last withest were recognised as the originators of the venture, and each held a half, "He got m may from Canton formerly managing partner; of the Wing Fai in the Lords. Hong s now he was only employed there. He This is the first day of the Newmark-t-Coaven

His Worship said he could not go on with the or 3rd April. On the 7th April be never told Mr. Osmund that he had a \$10,000 interest in the steamer; neither did he wish to become

naturalized so as to fly the British flug. Cross-examined-He knew Chan U Fai. He had not bought any shares from witness. He had bought his stares through Chan Wan Chi. C. Osmund said he was clerk in the Registrar-General's office. He rem imbered the last witness

coming to him. The writing shown him was the substance of what he had said. The writing shown him was also the substance of what Chan Wan Chi sald.

There was no further evidence. His Worship said he would not call upon Mr. Ewens because he considered the charge had entirely broken down.

Mr. Stokes submitted that there was a case, as facts given in evidence were quite contradictory to the statements he wished to put in.

His Worship said that as far as the evidence went, it went to show that the defendant's declaration on April 6th was right and there was nothing to show that the declaration made at the Harbour Cffice was false. The case would be

Mr. Stokes, then withdrew the charge against the second defendant, as he said he had only the same evidence to produce.

MRS. POTTER AND MR. BELLEW AT THE CITY HALL!

Mrs. Potter and Mr. Bellew made a most

successful debut at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, on Saturday night, in a selection of scenes from . "Romeo and Juliet," There was a large audience who, if applause may be taken as a criterion, thoroughly appreciated the performance. It is a great pity that these famous histrions had to make their first appearance in Hongkong without the support of a competent company; selections from great works such as Shakespere's may have attractions for the critic and the student, but, no matter how admirably represented, mere sketches are bound to pall on the average play-goer. The selections from "Romeo and Juliet" staged on Saturday were undoubtedly the best that could have been selected, but although they afforded Mrs. Potter several opportunities of displaying cultured art, they fell far short of enabling her to give that impersonation of the fairest of the Capulets which has placed this charming actress in the front rank of living exponents of one of the most delightful characters in the entire range of dramatic history. To understand the Juliet of Shakespere one must see the character in its various phases, from the young girl with ber nurse, budding into young womanhood, and watch its gradations from that impassioned love scene in the balcony through a sea of never-ending, heartbreaking trouble to the final, crowning act in the tomb of her ancestors, over the body of her dead lover. In a word, Mrs. Potter could only but partially indicate the lights and shadows of a conception she has made her own. However, with her opportunities, such as they were, the actress achieved marvels. In the balcony scene she was especially successful, playing throughout with perfect naturalness, and endowing every word and action with a grace peculiarly attractive. Mrs. Potter was equally effective in the parting scene—"Will thou begone, love i"-and evidenced dramatic power of a high order in the bed-chamber scene, where she takes the fatal potion, although in several instances showisibly suffered from the wretched acoustic arrangements of the theatre, which necessitated more robust declamation than is exactly in keeping with the situation. The death scene was also admirably managed, but of course lost much of its effect from the bareness of the surroundings. Mrs. Potter is a most graceful Fullet; her acting is easy and natural, her facial play marvellously expressive, and her elecution—alheit her rich, flexible voice is slightly marred by an accent peculiarly suggestive of Scottish ancestry—about as near perfection as it is possible for a woman to attain. This lady has few mannerisms—the worst is an almost incessant rolling of the eyes during passionate utterances which is the reverse of attractive-and her "business," to use a stage expression, evidences careful study. We can imagine Mrs. Potter's Fullet; what it actually is Saturday's selections only gave us suggestions,

Mr. Bellew's Romeo was, so far as it went, a great disappointment. Probably we expected too much after the extremely laudatory terms in which the impersonation had been heralded from other lands, and judged the representation from too exalted a standard, And yet Mr. Bellew is a sound, scholarly actor. who has probably few equals in his own line on the modern stage. Possibly he was foff colour on Saturday, and doubtless he was also hampered by playing for the first time in a theatre which renders the higher graces of elocution, outside powerful declamation, an impossibility—that is to have any effect on the sudience. Mr. Bellew's is a graceful Romeo. Taken in profile his face suggests an ancient cameo, and his shows signs of wear and tear. It is not, judged by his declamation in the one or two scenes in which he had a chance as Romeo, of great, power, and its timbre is decidedly metallic. With all this Mr. Bellew gave ample evidence of his histrionic capacity, and doubtless had he been fully supported and thus enabled to present the character in its entirety, our critical opinions would have been greatly modified, However it is our place to criticise the performance on its merits, and we feel bound to say that his Romeo failed to reach the high standard anticipated, and fell far short of Mr. Bellew's

The minor roles were filled by local amateurs. whose talents scarcely tend in the direction of Shakespereau, representations. Mr. E. W. Mitchell did fairly well as Friar Laurence in two short scenes, but in the important and but missed his opportunity; and the most we can say of Mr. Lightwood's Apothecary is that: he answered the purpose of the scene.

The dresses were, of course, in every very appropriate, and the scenery, considering the short time available to work up the necessary sets, fairly reflective. The entracte music was played by an orchestra from the Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders,

To-night Mrs. Potter and Mr. Bellew will appear in scenes from "Macbeth," "Hamlet," and "She Stoops to Conquer."

NEWS OF THE WORLD.

LONDON, April 14th.

"A meeting of the members of the Lords who. compose the Liberal Party in that body was held. to-day, It transpires that the Earl of Kimberley, and Fatshan. When he sold the shares to Ho who held many high offices, is to succeed, pro. Ying Mung, he gave him escrip.izr Witness was tem, the Earl of Granville as the Liberal leader

ceased to be master of the Wing Tal on the 2nd | meeting. The race for the Crawford plate for

3-year-olds was won by Dearest: Cordelier second. Imogene third.

weavers at Bradford, Yorkshire, continues. A about the Town Hall square. There is creat | give his opinion as to the advisability of holding excitement in the town. Police have as yet a grand South American Ecclesiastical Council refrained from interference with the str kers, but | on the model of the one recently held in Baltithe troops in the barracks are under arms. Several arrests have been made. The proprietors | decision in favor of the proposition and the to return to work, but they are terrorized by the leaders and labor agitators.

A Paris dispatch says that the French naval authorities express themselves as much amused at the Kaiser's proposition that in the next war the German first should destroy the enemy by one great coup. The French are confident of maintaining their marltime superiority over the Germans, whatever may be the case on land, and a leading Admiral is credited with the remark that very few of Germany's vessels would survive the coup; that it would be another Lissa, and with more disastrous consequences for Germany than that battle had for

In other quarters the Kaiser's remarks are accepted as indicating a set purpose to provoke a conflict with France and Russis, and that at no distant date. By the manufacture of arms in France the Russian forces will soon be completely equipped with the most modern weapons of destruction. It is said that the Czar's gratification with the promptitute and perfection of the French-manufactured repeating tifles for the Russlan Army was one of his motives for decorating President Carnot with the Order of St. Andrew.

PARIS, April 14th,

It is announced to-day that the German Government has decided to conclude commercial treaties with Belgium, Switzerland and Italy, in addition to the Commercial Treaty now in progress between Germany and Austria. This action upon the part of the German Government is understood to mean that Germany is aiming at a customs coalition between herself and the countries mentioned against France.

LIVERPOOL, April 14th.

The Liverpool Star has caused something of a sensation by attacking the Manchester Canal enterprise as an impracticable one, giving some startling facts to uphold its assertions. It declares that an unforeseen obstacle has been encountered - in the shape of a huge deposit, of rock at the entrance, involving the cost of excavating 400 coo cubic yards of solid granite. This would add a round £1,000,000 to the cost of the work above the current estimates. The Star accordingly predicts the collapse of the scheme. ST. PETERSBURG, April 14th.

A young officer named Annenkoff, belonging to the regiment of the Grand Duke Nicholas the younger, now stationed at Gatschina, committed suicide under very mysterious circumstances. A more was found on his table, explaining that no other course was open to him, as he had been grassly insulted by a personage of such an exalted position that it was impossible for him to demand satisfaction. It is reported that the Grand Duke Nicholas the younger was the cause of the tragedy. The newspapers of the capital have received strict injunctions from the Censor of the Press not to mention the subject.

DUBLIN, April 14th. The Freeman's Tournal asserts that Justin Hunt McGarthy, son of the anti-Parnellite leader, will shouly announce his conversion to the tenets of Ruddhism. The young man has been in zenlous student of Orientalism, but it was not generally suspected that he had more than a passing admiration for the mystle doctrine of | aroused by this high-handed proceeding. Guatama CONSTANTINOPLE, April 14th.

fleet, fitted out by popular subscription, was for permission to proceed to the Pengive river stopped by the Turkish authorities on duty at | and offered to pay the prescribed duties. As he the Dardanelles. The Russian vessel was received no answer after forty-eight hours he rights. materials and had as passengers a large number | sixteen of the crew. Sir John Willoughby says term used by the Russians, who are detailed danger. The explanation of the seizure given to construct the Trans-Siberian Railroad. The at Lisbon is that Sir John Willoughby's vessels officer in command of the Russian ship, upon being 'brought to' beneath the guns of the forts at the Dardanelles, immediately appealed to the Russian Ambassador at Constantinople— De Nelldoff-who, in turn, entered the strongest protest possible with the Turkish officials of this city. Nelidoff claimed in warm terms that the action of the Turkish officers at the Dyrdanelles was in direct and flagrant violation of the commercial treaties existing between Russia and Turkey. After considerable interchange of views on the subject the Porte finally came to the conclusion that it would be unadvisable to detain the war-ship any further, and she was allowed to pass.

The action of the Turkish authorities in stopping the Russian war-ship was taken on the ground that by the treaty of 1841 between the five great Powers and Turkey, it was decided no ship should pass the D rdanclles without the express consent of Turkey.

Buenos Ayres, April 14th. General Rocca, Minister of the Interior, has

resigned,

LONDON, April 15th.

Rioting was renewed at Bradford last evening by the striking weavers. The mob numbered at least 20,000 persons. The street-lamps were extinguished by the rioters. The military, police and special constables charged and dispersed the mob. Many persons were injured. The rioters again gathered in Sunbride street at 10 o'clock to-night. The police attempted to dislodge the men, but their efforts proved futile. Finally the police made a flank to-day there was a startling scene. Mrs. movement, and by this means succeeded in making the men retreat, but not without a flerce and at one point, where the Judge was struggle, during which all the windows in the particularly severe, cried; "Oh, my Lord, I buildings on Sunbride street were smashed by cannot listen to a pack of lies." Mrs. Hurlbert. the shower of missiles with which the strikers | amid much excitement, was conducted from the sought to repulse the police.

A terrible riot is reported to have occurred at have originated in some rudeness on the part of the police toward the military. The latter and barren moors of Eastern Prussic. Peat and soldiers using their weapons freely. The police got the best of the struggle and three of che reserve men were killed.

PARIS, April 15th. Dispatches from Chile state that a desperate battle, resulting in a victory for the Chilean insurgents, was fought at Coplapo, the capital of the province of Atacama. Only meager details are given. The dispatches say the insurgents, after a long and determined wangele, defeated with heavy loss a force of 3,000 of President Balmaceda's troops. The dispatches, which are supposed to have originated from insurgent sources, add that the insurgent army is increasing steadily in strength, and intends shortly to march upon the capital, Santiago de Chile, and

Valparaiso, ROME, April 15th. The Vatican has just completed its labors in connection with the reorganization of the Catholic Church in Brazil. That country will henceforth -be divided into two ecclesiastical provinces. The new province formed will be that at Rio de

Janeiro. The rumber of dioceses is increased from twelve to sixteen.

The rictous conduct yesterday of the striking | Very important negotiations have taken place between the Vatican and the Bishons of South large concourse of people gathered this morning | America. The Pope requested each Bishop to more. The majority of the Bishops gave a of the mills say the weavers are perfectly willing | Council will accordingly be held short'y. Its sim will be the entire reorganization of the American churches. The Vatican also decided to increase the number of Mexican Bishops and a Provincial or National Council will soon be convoked.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 15th. In spite of the peaceful utterances of Government officials in Europe everybody knows that Russia is making extensive preparations for war, and that her rivals are, on their side; making counter-preparations for a creat struggle, which must sooner or later take place. Russia has been expending enormous sums in the construction of strategic railroads, and in this and other ways arrangements for the transportation of large bodies of Russian troops to the Austro-German frontier are almost completed.

DUBLIN, April 15th.

It is stated in well-informed quarters that Messrs. Sexton and Healy are having a serious quarrel in regard to the editorial management t the National Press, the organ of the McCarthy party. Mr. Sexton, it is said, objects to Mr. Healy praising himself in letters unsigned or bearing fictitious signatures, and there are other matters in dispute between the two men. MADRID, April 15th.

At the International Conference for the Promerchandise and favoring the keeping of an international register of trade-marks,

 Brussels April 15th. The statement by the Etoile Belge that Henry M. Stanley has been appointed Governor of Congo State is officially denied.

Lisbon, April 15th. The entire Cabine' has resigned. The King will announce his action in the matter to-morrow. LONDON. April 20th.

A telegram from Pretoria, South African Republic, announces that a Boer expedition, with the consent of Portugal will establish a republic in either Mashonaland or Manicaland. This project, if carried out, will affect the Manica territory claimed by England, and will probably result in further trouble between England and .Portugal.

Dispatches received here from Durban, South Africa, show that the Portuguese authorities are taking a high hand in Mashonaland. This latest instance of their hostility to British interests in that district is likely to cause further tension in the relations between the governments. of Great Britain and Portugal. There are a number of British colonists who settled in Mashonaland, and the mails destined for them are carried by the way of Beira, a Portuguese settlement. A short time ago, upon the arrival of the British mail sacks at Beira, the Portuguese authorities held them and refused to allow them to be carried to their destination. Great indig-

Another dispatch from South Africa says that Sir John Willoughby has reached Delagoa Bay. A Russian war ship belonging to the Volunteer | He reports that on his arrival at Beira he applied. proceeding on her way to Vladivostock, Asia, started without permission, when the Portuguese near the northern limit of Kores, on the Sex I opened fire upon him, seized his two steamers of Japan. She was loaded with railroad with the mails and provisions and imprisoned of "military workingmen," according to the that the lives of the British at Beira are in great attempted to proceed up the river without paying

Further details regarding the firing upon the British steamer Agnes, which was engaged in convoying the expedition, and the seizure of the cargo of boats eneaged in the same service, show that Sir John Willoughby, commanding the Agnes, endeavored to secure the release of his vessels by the payment of the usual customs duty of a per cent, imposed by the Portuguese. The efficials refused to accept this payment, and, ordering the British flag hauled down, hoisted the Portuguese flag in its place. The Portuguese declare the British are excluded from the Pengive river, which the boats were navigating when 'seized, and which is the chief water route to Mashonaland. Several British colonists have been imprisoned and most of the British settlers have returned from Mashonaland on account of of war belonging to any nation, save Turkey, the arbitrary action of the Portuguese. There is every evidence that a serious rupture is impending between the Portuguese and the British. authorities.

The Telegraph, commenting on the Willoughby seizure, says that the Portuguese Government appears to invite a visit from an English

Both the News and Standard, in commenting upon the seizure of the Willoughby expedition. say that Portugal is gooding England to the utmost limits allowable even to a weak Power.

The action for breach of promise brought by Gladys Evelyn against William Henry Hurlbert continued to-day, the jury bringing in a verdict for the defendant. During the summing up Hurlbert, wile of the defendant, was present. court-room.

The German Government, with the view of Budsing Posen, between Army reserves going | retaining some of the young men who are on duty and the police. The trouble appears to | pouring out of Germany to evade military service, has undertaken to colonize the extensive resented and a bloody fight ensued, both police works have been erected, and colonists are assisted to establish homes for the purpose of attending to the peat products. The prospect is a glomy one for settler, and it is believed that the Government will have to employ convict labor at the task, as it will be difficult to induce free labor to go there.

A dispatch to the Graphic from Kief says: It is stated in military circles that the Government intends to increase its forces on the south-western frontier by 50,000 men,

A Rome dispatch says that the Government has agreed to give free passage to America to any of the informers and other witnesses in the Mala Vita prosecution that may desire it, and it is believed that the offer will be gladly taken advantage of by all of them. Several of the witnesses who testified in the case have already reached Naples under police protection, and are undoubtedly awaiting the first chance to emigrate to the United States.

PARIS April 20th.

of absence, arrived here on his way to Rome. I who we observe, have never failed to put up the The Soleil declares the Buron is much annoyed paper, the Baron, while on his way across the Atlantic, assured several of his fellow passengers that the Marquis Imperiali, Italian Charge d'Affaires at Washington, would be recalled. Italy, the Baron is said to have added, would not have a diplomatic representative at Washingion until the New Orleans affair is finally settled.

ROME, April 20th,

A gentleman informed a London correspondent on Friday that while he hated and despised the Mafia, he recognized that the vendetta was inevitable and that the leaders in the American tragedy would die by violence sooner or later, though perhaps not for two or three years. said that this was the chief reason in Italy for punishing murder with in prisonment instead of death, as a vendetta had always followed the capital penalty.

BERLIN, April 20th. The walls of the Germania pit, near Geneskirchen, collapsed on Saturday, burying a large number of miners in the ruins. Four men were killed outright and several injured. Many of the men are entombed in the mine, and their fate is uncertain, though it is thought they will be rescued.

LONDON, April 21st.

The influenza is raging in London. Onethird of the members of the National Liberal Club and a majority of the inmates of one of the largest hotels are down with the disease. The extension of the epidemic is favored by the weather. Telegrams from Leeds and Sheffield report a similar state of affairs.

There was great excitement in military circles tection of Industrial Property held in this this morning, when the men of the Third battacity to-day, all the foreign ministers, lion, Grenadi r Guards, quartered at Chelsea ncluding the United States Minister, signed | Harracks in this city, refused to obey an order. the document embodying provisions for the to parade in full marching order. The oldest protection of industrial property, agreed upon I members are the more discontented portion of at the Conference of Technical Delegates, the battalion. The men having the longest held in 1800, and repressing the practice of terms of service were placed under arrest and making false declaration as to the origin of an investigation into the cause of the mutiny was commenced. The men declare they have been long subjected to a series of excessively annoying drills for which there is no cause or reason. They say the drills are not ordered with the view of perfecting the battalion in military maneuvers or in the manual of arms.

but solely for the convenience of their officers. The Press Association announces that Lord Salisbury has directed Sir George Glynn Petre, British Minister at Lisbon, to demand from the Portuguese Government an immediate explanation of the seizure of the British vessels at Beira, and if the response is not satisfactory Lord Salisbury will insist upon reparation.

Advices from Cape Town confirm the statement previously cabled that the British settlers in Mashonaland and Manicaland are everywhere preparing for a fight with the Portuguese. Gungunhama has sent messages repudiating allegiance to Portugal and asking to be taken under the rotection of the English. The chief is said to be deeply enraged at the abduction by the Portuguese of two of his sons and one daughter as hortages. The sons were taken to Portugal to be educated and the daughter is detained at Mezambique. Gungunhama was frightened into submission at first, but a British trader has informed him that the Portuguese would not dare to injure the children, and now he wants to fight.

The young Chief Umbati of Gungunhama's kranl, to whom the daughter was to have been married shortly, has already started with a band nation on the part of British colonists was of warriors to fight the Portuguese. The British South African Company's leading representatives in London have held a meeting to discuss the South African question. The opinion was freely expressed that unless Portugal promptly ceased her high-handed measures the company would have to take action in defence of its charter

> April 22nd. Advices from Bathurst, the capital of Gambia,

a British colony of West Africa, state that the envoy sent by the Governor to the King of News. Gambia protesting against depredations and abuses suffered by English colonists was escorted back by the King's body-guard, after pieces of flesh were cut from his body. Three British gunboats have already ascended the Gambla river to avenge the ou'rage.

A correspondent of the Times at Madrid says grave anxiety is felt there over the state of affairs in Portugal. He expresses fears that a revolution is about to break out, in which event, he says, the lives of foreign subjects will be endangered.

William Henry Hurlbert is about to start for America to accelerate the search for his former secretary, Wilfred Murray, On his return he will reopen the Evelyn case to vindicate himself. He says his evidence was defective, because he understood the case was not to be tried till July. Miss Evelyn will ask for a new trial.

PARIS, April 22nd.

Representations have again been made to Emperor William of Germany asking him to relax the passport regulations in force in Alsace-Lorraine, in order to enable the inhabitants of French towns near the German frontier to attend fairs and markets held in the Germany territory. The Emperor, it is added, refused to accede, claiming that the time for such a change has not

A judgment was rendered to-day in the libe! suit of John W. Mackay, the millionaire, against Galignani's Messanger. Blor den, the director, will have to undergo sixteen months' imprison-

ROME, April 22Ed. Baron Fava, the Italian Minister at Washington, who recently left that city on leave of absence, has arrived here. Immediately after the Baron's arrival he had a prolonged conference with Dr Rudini upon the New Orleans affair. The outcome of this conference has not been made public.

Many America bave been expelled from this city for agitating for a general strike on May

Replying to an interpellation in the Chamber of Deputies, in regard to the decoration recently conferred by the King of Italy upon Chief Inspector Byrnes of New York, and which was declined by the latter, Di Rudini, the Prime Minister, said the decoration referred to had been conferred with the usual forms, adding it was a trivial incident, which did not merit being discussed in Parliament.

FOOCHOW.

We understand that the price of Flowery

Pekoe up country is \$140 per picul. The heavy rain on Saturday last has demolished another fire wall over the Bridge, and we regret to learn that seven inmates of a house

were buried under it. During the latter part of the week the price of rice has gone up some thirty cents a picul, and the cause of the rise is the usual old story-"too much rain!" And yet junks loaded with rice are arriving freely from both North and South into Baron Fava, the Italian Minister at Washing. this port. The rise is undoubtedly, as we have

I price as soon as the weather has been rainy for at the action of the United States in regard to two or three days. Such proceedings deserve the New Orleans affair. According to that the gravest attention of the authorities, as it is a most harefaced robbery of the poorer classes in these hard times.

> .It has not been officially notified, but we hear that the Stewards of the Foochow Race Club propose to hold a Scurry Race-Meeting on the afternoon of the 27th instant. A few energetic riders attend at the Race-course every morning, endeavouring to get their mokes somewhat fit 'o gallop, but we fear it is a waste of labour. The Race-course is thoroughly saturated with water, and is quite rotten and unsafe to gallop. upon. With every prospect of this wet weather continuing, and it is seasonable just now, we think the odds are Lombard Street to a China orange that the meeting will not take place. any case, should the rain cease, the course wil not be fit for racing for at least two weeks .-Echo.

> > CHEFOO. (FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

> > > 6th May, 1891.

A violent gale from the S. W., which spran up with remarkable suddenness, commenced blow on Sunday morning and continued will great force throughout that day and Mond to cessing, with the same abruptness with which it had started, shortly after sunset on Monday, While the gale lasted, the sea in the harbour presented a very wild and turbulent aspect.1. The flying spray was swept high in airover the huge waves, which broke over each other in secthing masses of white loam, their whiteness being tensified by the strange lutid colour of the sky above, which seemed to frown a menace upon

the warring elements beneath.

settlement, blinding these unfortunate pedestrians whom necessity compelled to face howling storm, and penetrating tightly closed doors and windows, and making everything generally grimy with a thick coating of pulverised filth.

The small tug that plies between here and Weihaiwei while returning from the latter place early this morning sighted an overturned boat which, upon being approached, was discovered to be a small fishing craft that had been capsized the previous night, drowning three of the occupants, who, upon the boat being righted, were found under the batch of the small cabin. The only survivor-an old man-who had managed to crawl on the bottom of the overturned boat, was taken on board the tug in a very weak and exhausted condition. No doubt other casualties have occurred among the small native craft, many of which must have been caught in the gale on Monday.

Two of the Nestorian priests, to whom you referred a few days ago, have lately paid Chefoo. a visit, and from a glance that, by the donation of a dollar, I was enabled to obtain of their subscription-book I should conclude that they have reaped a goodly harvest as, nothing daunted, they importuned anybody and everybody, being rarely met by a refusal. They were not logusclous; their limited stock of English prevented that: they simply bowed and smiled-a good old primitive Christian smile, though, by the way, strongly redolent of ancient Houndsditch and presented their rather grimy book and slip of paper setting forth the object of their pilgrimage and signed by one of our resident dectors, who stated his inability to youch their "orthodray," though, methinks, the bread to the charitably disposed than the narrower question of their religious credo. It would be interesting to learn the amount of money collected by these representatives of a one time important sect whose enterprise had led them to journey all this distance from their native mountains of

I hear that Mr. Frank Smith, of the Customs service, leaves us next month for England, on a well earned vacation of two years.—N. C. Dally

CHINAN FU.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.) April-27th.

In the last few weeks there have been several calamities befalling this city. Nearly two weeks ago a fire occurred at the residence of a pro- News. minent official, a relative of the Governor. Some priests were performing rites in honour of the dead, and the paper that was burned set fire to the mat-tent, and so to the house. Three persons were lost in the flames.

'A week ago a large file occurred in the city south of the Treasurer's yamen, burning some thirty buildings on one of the business streets iust as this fire was raging another fire occurred in the west'suburb which however, was speedily

Last week as the Governor was returning from his tour of inspection, a sad calamity befell his retinue. They came down the Yellow River with the rushing tide when a heavy wind struck one of the boats, which as it turned nearly over struck another boat, which capsized. Some forty persons are reported as lost, some of them officials, soldiers, etc.

Owing to these occurences the Governor has been in a state of deep distress. The fire-god and river-god are both objects of enmity at present, while the calamities are regarded as the wrath of leaven.

Rumours have been sfloat of a war with Russia. The people hear of the Russian King or some one of rank coming to China with millions of soldiers, and the cause is supposed to be war. The Governor was reported to have received an order to at once hesten to. Tientsin and go with Li Hung-chang to Chefoo, where something was about to occur. As yet the Governor is here, and probably, if he goes to Chefoo, it will be to try and see the Czarewitch of Russis, the one country that China fears.

Owing to the absence of any member of the English Baptist Mission, the book-store, started by that Mission has been placed in charge of Mr. Reid, of the American Presbyterian Mission. Several days ago the shop was formally opened; friends and neighbours sent their congratulations and decorations, and a feast was prepared in

The Rev. W. E. Lane and wife have left for the United States. Mr. Lane was one of the heroes in the late Chiningchow riot, but partly as a result of that excitement his health has been seriously affected, and he is therefore compelled to leave for a more favourable atmosphere and certainly more favourable people.

The weather has been very changeable of late, one day hot as summer, and the next coming with a cold winter blast. Owing to this there is an increase of sickness among the people.-N. C. Daily Nasus

CHUNGKING.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.) ten, who recently lest the United States on leave | stated before, a squesse by the retail dealers, | House was opened on the 1st Margh with a | apace.-N. C. Daily News;

great flourish of trumpets, grand official reception. dramatic displays of gorgeous robes, processions of sedan chairs and firling of guns; a special junk harbour was marked out on the opposite bank of the mighty river for the anchorage of junks sailing under the new rules, and a convenient temple near-by rented as a residence for the foreign examining staff; the most courteous of Commissioners. Mr. H. E. Hobson, who has been hardat work since last autumn settling the preliminaries, assisted by an exceptionally competent Indoor staff, sits daily at "the receipt of custom" which cometh not, charm the Taotai never so wisely. It is consoling to a Britisher to know that the awr-inspiring representative of his own most influential and non-guilible Government held himself rigidly aloof from all these poerile amusements, -- foreseeing doubtless (I mean, the Minister behind him) that nothing real was intended. Having vanguished the threatened invasion of the Kuling, it is a small matter now

to postcone the promised opening of the part to

is doing. The Chinese merchants, who are the

Not that absolutely nothing has been done or

junks foreign-owned, until the Greek Ralends.

people chiefly interested and who, with their usual common sense, ceased to take any interest In the so-called opening, once they leavnt that the hoped for coming of steamers was a vain delusion, now find that instead of their business being facilitated by the change, it is virtually brought to a standstill. This unexpected state. of things has been brought about by a notice from the Taotal that no goods are to pass through the new office for which likin or Transl certificates cannot, be produced. Unfortunately our Governments have agreed. this clause being generally inserted in the foreign Customs regulations at all the ports. notwithstanding that it is manifestly variance with treaties which stipulate for an export duty of five per cent., or any other figure. However, there it is, and I suppose the Shanghal "Thick clouds of dust-swept-all-through the Taotai would be in his right if he were to charge twenty-five per cent. likin on silk from Huchow and so quintuple the stinulated tariff duty, as far as not impeded by transit passes. He this as it may : our merchants here say that no tax was ever levied before on produce leaving the city for down-river, and further that any likin that was levied before was collected at the barriers before entering the city. It is after passing these barriers that the goods are sold to our local merchants and brokers who export them to Hankow. Now the Taotai wants another *likin* on the raw produce before it passes the new Customs, where it has now to pay full export duty and a half-duty; and this firespective of what the goods have already paid. This, the merchants say, is impossible. Once the goods enter the city they are sorted, classified and sold all over the different markets in the place. So they positively refuse to pay this new impost and threaten to shut up shop until their governors and masters revert to a more reasonable frame of mind. This "strike" plan is not new in Changking but it will not be lightly adopted as, serious though it would undoubtedry be for the authorities, the merchants too risk heavy loss in the riot that would certainly ensue. should the officials prove stiff-necked and not give way to mob demonstrations at the first symptom of violence, which to tell the truth, they

almost invariably do. No city of its size that I know has so large preportion of its inhabitants dependent upon their daily earnings for their subsistence. the steep rocky stairs that give access to the walls of this fortress-like town, everything, including the daily supply of water and fuel, is carried some hundreds of feet by vast gangs of stilling coolies: each bost—and those engaged point of their honesty was of more importance" the trade number thousands-has its crew of thungry trackers. These are not people to be trifled with if their hand-to-mouth livelihood! suddenly cut off, and—as the brokers say—when the merchants close, the coolies will soon settle the Taotal and his new Ilkin. As Sir Lucius O'Trigger says, -" It's a mighty pretty quarrel as it.now stands,—and there's lots of quiet sleeping. ground in the abbey youder," and indeed it would be amusing enough for us all and give us a little the quarrel is being fought out, but for the fact that the unfortunate foreigner is liable to come in as the scapegost. And the pity of it is that nothing is wanted but a little firmness and plainspeaking on the part of our Representatives to put a stop to all this fooling. But the British Government, at whose instigation all this disturbance has arisen, seem now to have forgotten the existence of the port which it made so much fuss about opening.—N.-C. Daily

T SINGKIANGP'U (FROM A CORRESPONDENT.

2nd May, 1801. Everything is very dry in these parts now, and most of the ponds that usually have some water in them the year round, are completely dried up.

The water in the Grand Canal is so low that a dam has been thrown across the old hed of the Yellow river to keep all the water nonsible in the canal. At this place the canal divides and unites again half a mile lower down, and one fork has been domined up to hold all the water in the main stream. The occasion of all this husbanding of the water supply is to enable the Emperor's rice boats to pass. They have been here several days and, all have not yet passed, There are several hundred of them and they travel in regular order, divided up into eighteen little fleets, each numbering forty boats. Each boat has the number of the fleet and its own number in that fleet. Every fleet has its little official in command and the whole is generally commanded by a Taotai. At present however they have none, since the one who was in charge I has been deposed by the Viceroy, as he was found to be a defaulter to the tune of 200,000 taels and his successor has not yet arrived, but is xpected shortly.

The time made by the rice boats is characteristic of the Chinese, as they only travel from ten to Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup until the fifth bottle forty if a day unless the wind is very strong in their favour; from this place onward their rate of speed will probably be issuened on account of I was when I first entered the army --- I returned to my

aded down with every conceivable kind of merchandise, and the sides of the boats, and on top, are in many cases Inaded with logs; some even have smaller boats tied on behind, louded down with lumber and bamboo, all of which pass the two big customs and the many little "squeeze stations," without a challenge-a big haul for the boatmen especially if they observe the old custom (which they likey will-such sticklers are they for custom) of abstracting some of the rice and of making the remainder swell up to the original bulk by a little canal water,

Many are the questions asked about the Czarewitch. The Chinese cannot believe he hascome on a pleasure trip; they want to know why he has so many gunboats with him, and in spite of what is told them they persist in thinking he has sinister designs on the Empire, this idea being strengthened by the fact that so many of the little guard-boats on the Grand Canal have been ordered South.

The weather has been quite seel for ten odd days past, and it tells on the corn just coming up, which has a chilled and bleached appear. We are still here in state que or, in military ance. The wheat looks fairly well, notwithe parlance, marking time. The foreign Custom standing the dry weather, and the poppy grows THE HANKOW TEA MARKET

The correspondent of the N. C. Daily News

writes :--Since opening for same number of days— Settlements. Stock Arrival. 1-chests. }-chests à-chests. Hankow tea..... 71,914 32,765 39 140 Kiukiang 42,752 24,967 Total 114,666 56,964 AGAINST. i-chests. ો-chests. i-chests. 50,661 I inkow tea.....110,060 60,296

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Prices are inclined to fall at the close, late arrivals from many districts show taint of tar, and parcels with that character are entirely neglected. A small parcel of choicest Ningchow is said to have been settled by a Russian firm at Tis. 100 per picul, this however is not confirmed yet. Pure Copacks and Conams continue to be settled at Tis. 39 to Tis. 60 for the Russian market, and these are the dearest intrinsic value purchased yet: Shantams, which are good at Tis, 10 to Tis, 24, and five Keemuns at Tis, 41 to Tis. 48, show the best value, but rates all round are too high to last. The steamer Mayuna has not yet circulated, scarcely anything having, yet been done for the English market.

May 11th.

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HE CAME HOME TO DIE

One day in December, 1888, a British transport reasel arrived at Gosport. Only a brief look was needed to assure the spectator that she had made the. long vorage from India. There were soldiers on board; some on leave of absence to visit home, and others so worn and wasted that it was plain to see why they were come back from the East to the dear old Island. Of these poor fellows a few were able to go on to their friends, while others were just strong enough to bear the journey to the Navy Yard Hospital Among the latter was one to whom we will introduce the reader. You would have fancied him to have been about thirty years of age, yet the vigour and elasticity of youth word missing. Discuse had done the work of time, and it was but the wreck of a man that entered the Hospital doors that day.

It was a matter for wonder that he lived to reach an

English port. Several months later, by accident, the writer of these lines heard that soldier's story from his own lips, and here it is substantially in his own words. 'In the year 1883," he said, "I colleted in Her Majesty's 51st Regiment and was soon ordered out to India, where Igarived on the following Christmas; and left there for Burman Oct. 6th. 1886. where remained eighteen months, being present at Mandalay when King Thochaw surrendered to our troops. Here my good health began to give way. At first I had a sinking at the pit of the stomach, and was so dull and drowsy I could scarcely keep up, I had pain in the right side and under the shoulder blades. excitement in this dull corner, to look on while My spirits were depressed everything seemed sad and melancholy. I couldn't eat, and lay in bed sleepless night after night till I was almost wild for lack of rest. My skin and eyes turned yellow as is so common with Europeans in India: my tongue was badly coated, feet cold and clumsy, stomach sick and upset, vomiting, and constant diarrhos. In this bad form

I lay in bed for four months in 1887. "Both the Regimental doctor and a doctor of the Indian Government said I was suffering from dysentory. I was weak as a baby, and passed nothing but alime from the bowcls. No treatment availed to stop the diarrhora, which was fast draining the life out of me. Finally I was sent home, and arrived at Gosport in Dec., 1888, where I lay in the Hospital until Feb., 1889, when I was discharged as incurable, and placed in the Army Reserve.

"I returned to Warboys, in Huntingdonshire, (my nome) and tried to work. But it was impossible. was so emaclated that old acquaintances did not at first recognise me. Then they said, Hodson, you needn't trouble to buy any more clothes. The only suit you'll require will be a wooden box.

"After eating, even a little, I was obliged to hurry away from the table because of the terrible griping. gnawing pains in the stomach and bowels. My father and mother were alarmed, and I consulted a doctor at Warboys, but what he gave me had no good effect. "At last it was Mr. Nicholl, the Chemist, of Warboys (now of Oroydon) who said to me. ' Hodson. you had better try Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup. On this I bought a bottle and used it, but I couldn't see it did any good. Mr. Nicholl said, 'Try it again. I have such confidence in it that I will give you the second bottle free of charge.

"I did so, and before I had taken the half of the second bottle I began to feel relief. This was encouraging, and I procured the third bottle. Before I had finished it I was so much improved that I was asked to go back to work. But I was afraid to risk it, and said, No; wait till I have used three bottles more, for this Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup is doing for me what no medicine in India or England has done yet-it is healing me from the very depths where I was ill and dying. "Bo, as you may suppose, I kept right along with

was gone. Then I presented myself to the astonished people of Warboys as robust, strong, and well, as I work, and my comrades looked upon me as one risen Besides, the Emperor's rice, these boats are from the dead. With eyes full of wonder they asked, "What has done this for you?" and I amswered I owe my life and health to Mother Beigel's Curative Syrup, and am willing that everybody in England should hear me say so. I have never lost an hour's work since, and will gladly reply to letters of enquiry. -John Hodson, Warboys, Huntingdonshire."

Mr. Hodson's real discass was indigestion and dyspepsia, caused by change of climate, food, and habits. The diarrhess was one of its symptoms— Nature's effort to get rid of the poisonous matters in the stomach and bowels. Mother Seigel's Christive Syrup cured the digestive malady, and the symptoms vanished as a necessary consequence. But our friend did not get the right and only remedy a day too soon.

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To-dan's Advertisements.

CITY HALL.

THIS EVENING,

WEDNESDAY, May 20th.

In the Presence of H. E. Major-General G. DIGBY BARKER, C.B., the Officer Administering the Government.

MRS. POTTER MR. BELLEW.

"HAMLET" OPHELIAMrs. POTTER. HAMLETMr. BELLEW Act. III. Scene II. Act. II. Scene. Act. III. Scene IV.

INTERVAL OF 10 MINUTES.

"MACBETH"
Lady MACBETHMrs. POTTER Act. I. Scene V. Scene VII. Act. II. Scene I.

INTERVAL OF 10 MINUTES.

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Hongkong, 20th May, 1891.

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HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 1891.

THE SALARIES QUESTION.

Ir the editor of our contemporary the Straits Times will read the request for information H. E. the Acting Governor, and Major-General BARKER's reply thereto, printed inanother column, we opine that he will agree that, whatever else it may be, it is the reverse of a "rather small" matter. The evil that men do lives after them, and the effects of Sir G. W. DES VŒUX! policy are not by any means forgotten as yet. The three representatives of the public-for Mr. Krswick does not appear in the matter—have returned to the charge with a catechism of plain questions respecting the Salaries question, to which they have and fairly satisfactory reply. That is to say it is satisfactory to know that Governor DES Voux, the "man of few words," appears to have authorised at least one deliberate mis-statement in respect to this "rather small matter," involving an expense of nearly \$100,000 a year to the ratepayers. Perhaps mis-statement is too strong a term -our readers must judge for themselves. On the 14th April the four Unofficial members urged his Excellency to request Lord Knursroup to refrain from sanctioning the increase of salaries until he heard from them. On the 20th they asked his Excellency if he had wired, or intended doing so, as, if he would not, they would. On the 21st the Acting Colonial Secretary replied-"I am directed by his Excellency to state that he has not so telegraphed, and does not propose to do so." He

departed on the 7th May, leaving the public

representatives in ignorance of the fact.

that he had eaten his words, and had

actually substantially telegraphed their

message on the 25th April, leaving the

"invidious duty" (to quote his pet phrase)

of imparting the information, to his tem-

porary successor.

But these little personal meannesses this policy of suppressio veri-need no enter into consideration, really, now that Sir G. W. DES VŒUX has left our shores. the Chancellor of the Exchequer who is reputed to pull the strings that illustrious marionette-is quailing before the storm which he sees lowering in the Far East. It may be true that he does not recognise the Unofficial members' right to directly appeal to him-he does not even acknowledge the receipt of the petition which they cabled to him at their dispatches now en route shall be ignored, the Gulf of Stam. pending further instructions. He will find that second thoughts are best. But we MESSES, I. M. LYON & Co.'s machine shops at shall not owe our deliverance from the double impost of a heavier Military Contribution and increased official salaries to our late Governor.

SUPREME COURT. . IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

(Before Sir James Russell, Chief Justice.) May 19th.

The May Sessions opened this morning, there being seven cases for trial. The following jurors were empanelled-T. Silberman, H. W. Slade G. da Sequeira, A. W. Miller, C. C. Corvis, A. M. da Silva, and F. V. Freizl.

THE PIRACY CASE. Wi A Lai and Wang Song were charged with committing piracy on a junk in British waters on the 16th ult. The Attorney General conducted the case for the crown, and said that the second prisoner would also be charged with receiving stolen property. The piracy was not of the most serious kind, but would have ranked as ordinary robbery if committed on shore.

The evidence called was substantially the same as that already given in the police court The captain of the junk, the passenger Mok Fuk Inspector Stanton, and a constable were called. Two of the junk's crew had left the colony, and their depositions made before the magistrate

were the lawful property of the prisoners, and it invented the story of piracy to cover their losses. There was no evidence to show this,

The jury retired to consider their verdict and wounded is not yet known. after an absence of fifteen minutes returned with a wordict of guilty on the first count, by five to two, and not guilty on the second count. His Lordship reserved judgment.

LARCENY. perty of his master, the proprietor of the Ip Sap Tam shop, Wing Lok Street, on the 3rd April. The prisoner said he lost the money which had been given to him, by gambling. He did not Says the Hupao ;- The authorities of Foothow steal it, and he did not return to the shop because

he was afraid. The jury unanimously found the prisoner His Lorship said the prisoner had been guilty of the worst kind of larceny. He did not seem means that most families leave their coffins to consider the trouble be had given his master | uninterred, but mainly because of fingshul. and the shame he must have caused his brother. and breach of trust by a confidential servant

two years' imprisonment with hard labour. (Before Mr. B. J. Ackroyd, Acilne Pulsne Judge.)

ROBBERY WITH VIOLENCE.

THE STORM.

The barometer rose slightly to-day (16th inst.) After the somewhat severe thunderstorm and keavy rain at noon. The improved system of dealing with storm-water devised by Mr. Brown after the experience of May 18Po prevented a repetition of the general collapse of the roads, but accidents of other kinds were not wanting.

Yesterday afternoon during a rain squall a cargo-boat. No. 505, was capsized when just off the Gas Work, West Point. At the time of the accident the boat was laden with 400 picule of rice, which was in transit from Macao, and there was a crew of five men on board, the masterhaving also his wife and four children with him. sent by three of our Unofficial members to The crew of the mission launch Dayspring. which was in the vicinity, witnessed the accident. and at once went to render all the help they could. They succeeded in picking up the whole of the crew, and, assisted by Sergeant McDonald broke through the hottom of the capsized boat and rescued the children, but their search for the woman was unsuccessful, and so far her body has not been recovered. Had it not been for the assistance of the crew of the Dayspring, there is but little doubt that more lives would have been

The ruins of the burnt-out hulldings at No 133 and 333 Ousen's Road, which had been released by the Magistrate for the purpose of pulling them down as being unsafe, fell vesterbeen fortunate enough to receive a prompt | day afternoon, thus saving so much labour, though at the same time nearly ending the troubles of a few people who were passing at

During the heavy rains of Thursday the resining wall of the new slaughter house at West Point, built to hold up the hill, was washed down, and nearly the whole of it will have to be, rebuilt. The bill is standing yet,

We understand that Tytam and Pokiolam reservoirs are quite full, the latter, indeed, running over.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H.B.M. cruiser Hyacinth, Capt. Craigie, arrived from Japan on the 18th Inst.

THE returns of the number of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ending May 17th, are : -Europeans 109, Chinese 1,227; total 1,336.

A GUNPOWDER explosion occurred at Nanking Arsenal the other day in which a Chinese workman was blown to bits. One more

THE Hupao says that it has been decided by the Canton authorities to melt the old and usel-as cannon in the various forts and utilise the iron for the construction of new guns.

THE Amos Times states that the redoubtable tiper-slaver, Mr. Leyburn, accompanied by Mr. The tax-payers of Hongkong have gained Firth, brought down another nine foot tiger last great point; Lord Knutsvorn-or week from the upper banks of the Dragon River.

> MR. PLAYFAIR, well known in connection with the old Oriental Banking Cornoration, has, we are informed, been appointed Chief Manager in Hongkong of the National Bank of China,

A BANGKOK contemporary says that H.H. Chow Sal has been despatched to enquire into truth of a rumour that the French have occupied own expense—but he has ordered that the Koh-Samit, a small island on the east coast of

> Rochore (Singapore) were totally destroyed by five on the night of May 5th, Estimated damage: \$44.000; insurance (with the Singapore Insurance Ca.) \$9,000. No lives lost.

'OUR Shanghai morning contemporary says that Mr. Startseff has purchased the Sin Nanzing to run between Shanghai and Viadivostock. She is to make one trip a month, a subsidy being granted by the Russian Government for that

IT is stated by a Chinese paper that over hundred soldiers have been stationed round about the Roman Catholic church and the foundling asylum at Yangchow. The people are now quiet and no further trouble is appre-

THE eight sailors of the ship Yoke McLeod who, after conviction, assaulted Captain Stewart of that vessel, and escaped from custody at the British Consulate, Shangbal, on the 8th inst have been committed for trial by Mr. R. Mansfield, acting assistant judge.

ON Sunday morning (roth inst.) the first section of the railway from Phu-lang Thuong to Kep, Tonquin, was opened amid great demonstrations. by Mr. Brière, the Resident Superior, The Indibandance Tonkinoise mentions casually that on this occasion floods covered the line up to 100 m. from the station.

The defence was that the articles produced THE Hokkal Shimbun of the 5th inst. says :fire broke out this morning at II o'clock in was suggested that the prosecutors had sold Higashi-no-machi, and the wind being high, the their goods, lost the proceeds in gambling, and fire spread in all directions, running along the Echigo-kaido, Nagano, and destroying 10,000 houses. The number of persons killed or

THERE were 337 deaths registered in this colony during the month of April. Of this number only Ip A Cheuk, a servant, was charged with member of the Royal Navy. Amongst Chinese stealing 1,300 tacks in silver and notes, the pro. | there were 77 deaths at the Tung Wa Hospital. la St. Enfance,

> have given sixict orders to have all unburied comes interred. .. After a certain date all coffins found lying above ground will be buried in the common paupers' graveyard. This is certainly an effective measure, as it is not for want

must be punished. He would be sentenced to ! Gazette that Her Majesty has not been advised to exercise her power of disallowance with respect | Adolphus, and Bomb. Rylands as Fobling, to the specialordinances which have whitewashed | played carefully and well. In the farce St. Tenn), into, British subjects. We don't know these gestlemen, but beg to congratulate them: Chan Kal, who was charged with tobbing all the same on the dignity they have attained. thren Portuguese youths on the Lap-sap-wan A seat on the Bench of Justices or the editorial Meredith made his diout as Mr. Laylon, Mrs.

THE Hubao says that the Provincial Treasurer of Southow has drawn from the Treasury 20,000 tacks for deepening and dredging the water courses in and about Soochow,

'Ir's getting quite dark now," remarked Ohadiah as they sat in the front of the Bay View House." "Yes," she answered with a touch of scorn as she surveyed the distance between them, "One might imagine you were afraid of the dark."

COLONEL Lo Sing Kwan, nephew of H. F. Liu Ming Chiuan, and Commandant of the Forces at Kerlung, Tamsul and Twatulin (the capital). arrived here by the transport Smilk on the 16th inst. from Tamsui The gallant Colonel is, it is said, on a special mission to the Viceroy of the liang Kwang.

NEWS was received at Nagasaki on the 12th inst, that the Takachiko-Maru, Capt. R. N. Walker, was badly ashore at Tsushima, an island in the Korean Channel. The mails and treasure were saved, but it is feared that the vessel will be a total loss. She was 40 miles out of her course. No lives were lost,

THE Hongkong and Shanghai Bank shares continue steadily to decline in appreciation, notwithstanding the powerful efforts made to stem the flowing tide. The Bank's losses during the past few months chiefly owing to gross neglect and mismanage. ment, are said to be phenomenal. There will probably be some interesting revelations forthcoming at the next shareholders' meeting of this most immaculate Corporation.

THE Singapore Straits Times of May 6th says -"The steamship Medusa. Capt. Webster, arrived here from Pangkok this morning, having on board 40 saloon and deck passengers, and some two hundred head of cattle and horses. Captain Webster reports that his chief officer. Mr. I. Thomson, died of cholera yesterday morning, and was burled at sea. The vestel was at once boarded by the health officer and sent into quarantine,

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial Hospital begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospital:--H.K. & Shanghai Banking Corporation, \$100

Venancio Gutierrez, Esq..... Messre, W. R. Loxley & Co...... 25 Pon. W. Melgh Goodman 10 W. C. Barlow, Esq.

LAST week the French flagship Triomphante called at Keelung and remained there for five days, during which time she landed a large number of men who cleared a site and laid down a foundation for a huse monument to the memory of the French soldiers who fell in the fatal assault upon the Kee'ung forts during the recent Franco-China war. The cruiser Villars is expected at Keelung in the course of the next few days with the monument, which will be brought out from France by the next Messageries Maritimes

THE tea season in Kiuklang, says the Shenpao, has been opened with every promise of success. There is at present a fairly good stock of black teas, but as the cost of tea is extraordinarily high reached a great figure. Fortunately foreign Magistrate thought both parties should be premerchants are aware that the tea crop is small this year, so that they are willing to pay a good price for what ten can be got. The native dealers are not much elated, however, as the scarcity of tea does not mean heavy profit.

MR P. S. HAMEL, Consul-General for the Netherlands at Amoy and Swatow, accompanied by Mr. J. Rhein, Secretary of Legation, naid an official visit to the Viceroy of the Two Kwangs at Canton on the 15th inst. His Excellency was not desirous of seeing Mr. Hamel, but that gentleman, whose independent example might with advantage be imitated by our British consular officers, was neither to be brow-beaten nor negleated. He insisted on his right to a interview and, of course, Li Han-chang had to give way. We shall have to something to say regarding the object of Mr. Hamel's mission later on.

SHAO YU-LIEN. formerly Taotal at Shangha Judicial Commissioner, Honan, member of the Hongkong Opium Commission, Treasurer Formosa, then Governor of Formosa, vice Liu Ming-chu'an, retired on various pretences which will doubtless be understood in the near future. Shao has the reputation of being a clever diplomatist, and probably he deserves it. He certainly materially aided Mr. James Russell in getting his C.M.G. ship and a smooth passageway to the Chief Justiceship of Hongkong and the accompanying knighthood. And Hongkong no doubt grateful. What does the Chamber of Commerce say?

THE Wenchow ten season, according to a Chinese contemporary, looks very promising. The tea crop is fine and the flavour excellent. When the market first opened in the early part of the 3rd moon, the first class Yu-chien (beforethe rain) was sold at about \$33 to \$34 per picul and the second class from \$25 to \$30 per picul. The dealers, seeing that fresh ten was arriving in large quantities from the country, kept the market down by holding aloof. After the spring activity in buying and exporting Sung-loh ranges from \$10 to \$12 per picul, and Mow-tsien from \$20 to \$23 per picul. The steamer

39 at the Italian Convent, and 38 at the Asile de On Saturday evening last the "Military Mummers" gave a second performance of " Daddy Hardacre" There was a very large audience and the Thursday night, and the efforts of the performers deserved the constant appletise awarded. As Adam Hardacre Mr. J. Dade again proved bis suitability for "old man" parts, whilst Sergt, Tennant filled, the role of Charles Clinton admirably. Mrs. Hackett, as Esther, played: her part very successfully, and Mrs. Kjeller WE are awfully glad to note in the Government displayed some ability in the small character that she pertrayed Corpl. Crouch as Messis. Lai Sui Tong and Choi Wai (alias Choi | Sergt, Tennant made a decided hit as Tom Twige, and his songs as the Baron were well received, while Bomb, Rylands and Mr. W Douglas made capital cavalry officers, G. S. M Road in January last, was found gullty, Septence | chair of China fasti is now fairly within their | Hackett as Caroline, and Mrs. Saunders & Sally, was deterred. Were all that sould be desired,

THE Magazine Gap road from the Peak is reported to be in a wretched state owing to the absence of any retaining walls, and, the earth from above has fallen down all over the

THE last few days have been very stormy up the Canton river, thunderstorms of great violence being accompanied by high winds. Steamboats arriving from Canton report parsing many overturned sampans and junks. In one case, we hear, twenty lives were lost.

Four magnificent horses, which were being sent as a present from the Sultan of Turkey to the Mikado of Japan as a token of appreciation by the Sultan of the efforts made by the Japanese in regard to the Ertongroul disaster, were on board the Saghalien, which passed through here recently. The horses are said to be worth sorp thousands of pounds.

THE Coolie Emigration Commission at Singapore has just completed its report. Among other things it recommends that the Government establish inspection of employed coolies; abolish licensed depo's and brokers, and establish Government depots in the Straits and China nd endeavour to obtain the sanction of China to the credit ticket system on proposed improved

THE Government of the Straits Settlements have decided to present to each, of the boys in the native schools in Penang, who has passed the standard, in which he was last presented for examination, a drill coat and a pair of chintz trousers, as a means, no doubt, of encouraging the boys to persevere in their studies. The schoolmaster has gone into partnership with the tailor whilst abroad it seems.

MRS. POTTER and Mr. Bellew gave an entertainment last Monday night in the spacious dining hall of the Shamlen Hotel, Canton, before a moderately large but most enthusiastic audience. The programme included selections (in character) from "Macbeth" and "Hamlet," which gave the utmost satisfaction, both artists receiving numerous recalls, and the performance proved in every respect a most unqualified success.

In our report of the last executions at Kowloon the word "Governor," through an unfortunate printer's error, was substituted for the word "former," thus putting a seriously incorrect interpretation on the words of the worthy mandarin. What we intended to convey, and what he really said, was that Admiral Fong was on the most friendly terms with the present Viceroy (Li Han-chang), whereas with former (Chang Chih-tung) his relations were simply those of an efficient and energetic servant of the Emperor. No mention was made of the Governor, or fu-tal, with whom the Admiral is on the best of terms.

contrary to sec. 9, of 18 and 19 Victoria behalf of the second. As the first defendant was sent. Mr. Caldwell pointed out that his client was in Canton and would be here in a day or two, and that' the summons had not been per- ! sonally served. His Worship thereupon that in the meantime fresh summonses should be

This morning (15th inst.), between two or three o'clock, the roof of the portice of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, fronting on Queen's Road, fell in, | SINCE the new Gambling Ordinance came into some ten tons of timber, plaster, and tiles crashing down on the steps, which were of course badly smashed. The dibris, on examination, showed that the beams were almost entirely eaten away by white ants, which have been at work probably ever since the building was completed 1885. The portice has an ordinary flat verandah roof, hardwood beams, a double layer of flat Canton tiles, with plaster ceiling. The architects, Mesers. Palmer and Turner, had commenced an inspection of the building yesterday; and noticed a slight depression in the ceiling, which was to have been further examined to-day. The lefty and massive nature of the building renders inspection difficult, but this will now be remedied by substituting a pointed roof, which can be carefully tested periodically. The verandahs of the City Hall have to be examined in this way every year, and last year were found to be almost on the point of collapsing, through the ravages of white ants. The main building of the Bank is not affected by this fall, and the granite columns supporting the verandah are uninjured. The damage is not considerable, and will be made good in about a fortnight.

COMMENTING upon the recent strained relations

between Sir G. W. des Vœux and the Unofficial members, the Stratts Times says :- Considerable attention has been attracted by the account which we published the other day, of the difficulties between the Governor of Hongkong. and the unofficial Members of Council there. The general opinion is that the trouble is one which rains the prices dropped and there is now great | might have been avoided with a little tect's but probably the Governor was suffering from the bably the Unofficials, were annoyed at the Haschang in her previous trip to Shanghai took | whole question fof the Military Contribution. 13 belonged to the British and foreign communi- in her present voyage about 3,600 boxes of all always to the preservation; that we are not the best judges of the internal affairs of another colony), the opinion is that neither side is right, It seems rather hard, because of the Military Contribution and other such matters, to attempt to take back the rise in salaries which was voted and the laughable farce "Catching an Helress." to the Colony's Civil Servants. On the other hand, it is generally agreed that when the whole Hongkong Dramatic Club was well represented. of the unofficial Members of a Colony desire an The pieces went much more smoothly than on | urgent telegram on a financial subject to be forwarded to the Secretary of State; the Governor ought not to refuse the request (unless for the gravest reasons of State.) ... His remedy. he disapproves the telegram, is to attach to it his own rider expressing disapproval; and to let both go before the authorities at home. Taking another point, it is not considered there that Sir William des Voeux acted in a dignified fashion in calling the unofficial members to his house, and lecturing them upon their demeanour towards him. The Governor of a colony ought to be too considerable a person to engage in such a proceeding I and it is assumed that probably: Sir William des Voous would not have engaged in it, but for the irritation and disturbance of faculties which naturally accompany a severe Illiness. The whole matter is at once rather should used sailes greature

THE weekly competition of the Hongkong Rifle Association was held on Saturday last, for the ShortRange Handicap Challenge Cup and Range Spoons. There were only eight competitors the bad weather doubtless keeping others away. The cup and 600 yards spoon were won hy Col.-Sergt. Mack, of the 1st A. &S. Highlanders, Mr. J. Anderson winning the 500 yards spoon with the following scores :-

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IT is understood that his Excellency Lin Ming Ch'unn, Governor of Formosa, will not hand over the scale of office to the Fantas, his temperar successor, "until the end of June next. He will take passage to Nanking in the Smith, which will be escorted by the Case and several Chinese gun-boats as far as the ancient capital. Upon arrival at Nanking he will interview the Viceroy of the Liang Kwang and proceed thence, overland, to Peking, where he will have audience. it is said, of the Emperor-the latter being desirous of seeing with his own even the Governor who succeeded in slaughtering such large numbers of "rebellious barbarians" and saving (?) his "Island province."

On the 6th inst. the Shanghai Marcury's Chefoo correspondent writes :- There was another fire in the native town on the 3rd inst., which would probably have consumed the whole place had there been any wind blowing at the time; but as it was, the flames were stayed before they had done much injury. The fire originated in a cotton godown and the damage is estimated at Tis. 600. On Monday we had a heavy storm of dust driven down from the plains of Mongolia which was so severe that landing and shipping had to be suspended the entire day, work being impossible under the clouds of blinding dust. The cruisers Ping-yuan and Chi-yuan left here yesterday, and the other vessels of the Pelyang equadron have left Wei-hai-wei for the usual target practice at Ta-lien-wan.

CHINAMAN at Amoy, who for some four or five years past has been in the habit of visiting a rich Chinest widow in Amoy, was taken somewhat by surprise at two oclock the other morning, according to the Times. It seems that the relatives of the charming widow having heard of what was going on, and bent upon putting a stop to the scandal, visited her residence and I there discovered the lover. He was immediately scized, his hands tied behind his back, and both his cars and queue were cut off. This punishment not being thought sufficient, the widow's relatives, to the number of about twenty, paraded the culprit through the principal streets of Amoy for two or three days. So far as we can learn nothing was done to the woman. In addition to encouraging the visits of her lover, she had given him from time to time something between two and three thousand dollars in money.

Arthe Magistracy on the 15th last, before Mr. A. THE Tientsin correspondent of our Shaughai .G..Wise, Chan Afal, partner of the Plu Ki shop, morning contemporary writes under date the and Hov Ng Ming, a broker, were summoned for 6th inst.;—"Two feet at high water on Taku unlawfully and wilfully making a false declara- bar. Such was the Harbour Master's record on tion in respect to the river steamer Tation, Monday, during a severe N.W. gale and dust storm. No steamers could be seen from the 1891, on the 6th April. Mr. Stokes, Crown | shore although there was quite a fleet at anchor Solicitor, prosecuted; Mr. Caldwell appeared on outside the har. The river seems to be decibehalf of the first defendant, and Mr. Ewens on | dedly deteriorating again, and steamers of over to feet can only scrape through some of the not present, Mr. Caldwell asked for a remand. reaches near Tientsin. The Haeting has been in the mountains, the market price necessarily. Mr. Ewens wished the case to proceed, but the three full days going down from Tientsin to Taku. The water on the plain is going fast and the coarse grass is showing through what is left, so the neighbouring country begins to look bright again. When the land is above water there is promise of a fine crop first of remanded the case till Wednesday, and ordered wheat, and then of kaoliang. The United States Minister to Korea, Mr. Heard, and family, have come over on a visit to the German Minister at Peking: The secret mission from Korea to L Hung-chang has returned home re infecta."

operation the fortunes of the Chinese gambling houses where pai-kau and poh-tse are played, are on the wane. Indeed we are informed that there is not now a gambling house in the East, and the Central district is becoming rapidly cleared. Not to be behind his colleagues, Inspector Mackie, who looks after the Western district, bids fair to make that portion of the city as lawabiding as the test. This morning (16th inst.), at the Police Court, before Mr. A. G. Wise, he fill the court room with no less than two score of Chinese, whom he arrested last night in a gambling house in High Street. After the whole of the defendants had been arranged In proper order, which was about as easy as leading a flock of sheep to the slaughter, the details of the charge were given. The usual tables, chairs, cards and dominoes were produced, as also the fabulous amount of fifty-eight cents and forty-eight cash. charge being proved, they were individually asked what they had to say in their defence when almost every one pleaded that they went there to look for their friends. The master was fined \$25, or a month's imprisonment; three boys who said their ages were only fifteen, were ordered to receive half-a-dozen strokes each, and the rest were fined \$5 apiece, with the alternative of fourteen days' imprisonment. They all went to Gaol, being unable to pay their fines, at which rate the "Hermitage" will get pretty crowded soon if Mackie isn't assassinated.

THE Hankow correspondent of the N. C. Dally Naws writes on the 6th inst. !--Teas from all the districts yet shown are irritation, which, accompanies illness, and pro- exceptionally good compared with those of late seasons, and though the Chinese report that properly authenticated. The writer of this later arrivals will show the taint of rainy "Memo" has not favored us with his name, away only 300 odd boxes of tea, while she takes | So far as public feeling goes here (and subject | weather, I, for one, would take this with a grain | and, so far as the Hongkong Telegraph is of the question for England, for which market I know of no business done as yet. EXTTLEMENTS 5TH AND 6TH MAY.

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A DARING robbery was committed last night (14th inst.) by two armed men in Jubilee Street. About half-past eight a money changer was sitting behind his counter, which stood in front of a compradore's shop, when the two men came up, one armed with a couple of knives and the other with a like number of revolvers. "One covering the money changer, the other abstracted \$120 from the drawer and then they made .cff." An alarm was raised, and one of them, Lu Leung, was captured before he had got far away, the other making good his escape. This morning the prisoner was formally charged, and the case was remanded by Mr. Wise for a week.

THE following telegram, received from Mr. Bibby, mining manager, Raub, is published in the Straits papers of the oth inst.:- "Rough cleaning up of battery yielded 403 ounces of amalgam, probable vield 170 ounces gold Estimated quantity of stone crushed for above 420 tons. Prospects noor." That is the result of one month's crushing. On 11th April the manager got gro ounces amalgam (estimated at 400 ounces of gold) for 400 tons stone. The first completed crushing gave 867 ounces gold for 350 tons stone. The second gave 757 ounces gold for 490 tons. The third, now in progress, is likely to show a very much smaller average of rold. At present it stands at about 670 ounces (estimated) gold for 820 tons stone,

On the 2nd inst. an imeute occurred in the new gaol, Bangkok. Twelve prisoners employed as cooks concealed choppers and other wedpons, and whilst exercising suddenly attacked the guards. A severe struggle took place, during which two of the warders were killed, and eleven of the ruffians secured, one baving made his escape during the melle. Mr. Allen, superintendent of the prison, received a very severe wound in the hand from a blow with one of the choppers. All of the mutineers were covered with wounds from the severe handling they received at the hands of the prison officials. They managed to break down two partitions, and get away to the jungle, however, but the police recaptured all but one. They are to be flogged, and then lose

LAST winter, says the Shendao, Tientsin was much agitated by anonymous placards stating that a date had been set for burning foreign dwellings and massacring foreigners. The writer of these placards could not be found. Lately some stores were being black-mailed by means of letters bearing the scal of the Imperial Military Acadamy. A strict investigation discovered that there were five men implicated. On examination four out of the five prisoners confessed that they were duped by an Anhul man named Chang Siu-shan, who forged the scal and wrote the letters, while they only undertook to distribute them to the shopkeepers and stores and to demand black-mail. Change acknowledged his guilt and further admitted that he was the author of the anonymous placards which produced so much apprehension last year. His case was reported to Viceroy Li who ordered him to be summarily executed on the 20th April

THE Newchwang correspondent of the Shanghai morning paper writes on the 6th inst.:-We are having the most changeful weather—one day fine and quite warm, and the next so cold that fires are required. Yesterday the thermometer showed only 7 or 8 degrees above zero, and the wind was blowing freshly from the north. To-day a south wind makes the temperature quite pleasant. Our Consul (Mr. Watters) is waiting his successor, when he will depart for Canton, to replace Mr. C. Alabaster, who no doubt is auxious to leave before the hot weather sets in, Large quantities of produce arrive daily from the interior, and shipments have been made on a big scale. Imports are also considerable, and there is every appearance of the Customs returns being quite as favourable if not better even than last year. In fact the port is presperous, and if railways are made the province will be a most remunerative one for the Empire.

Poor old Mayrena! A correspondent of the

Singapore Free Press, who has visited the island of Tiuman, which is about 120 miles from Singapore on the East Coast of the Malay Peninsula, 14 hours' steaming from Singapore, says :-- We dropped anchor opposite the "nalace" of his late Majesty the King of the Sedangs, and presently found ourselves ashore. with all our baggage. A party of natives were on the beach to "welcome" us, headed by the Inche of the place, as mean an old "cuss" as it has ever been my lot to meet during an eight years' solourn in many parts of the East. However, we got a little assistance from the natives and our luggage was carried up to the palace. which being made of lattice work, was more suggestive of a birdcage than a royal dwelling. must thank his late Majesty for leaving one or two things on the island, a good stove, a few chairs, and his residence. The building is on the slope of a hill planted with limes, sagepalms, and mangosteen trees, a pretty brook running just at the back. Round about are evidences that the King, when he went; into. retirement till "consuls should cease from troubling, and his kingdom be at rest," intended to make something of Tiuman, for lines for coolies and a spacious store house are to be seen. We accepted without scruple the courteous hospitality that the genial monarch would have proffered us had he been in the flesh,

THE correspondent who sends us what he terms a "Memo" of certain proceedings in connection with the Belillos Scholarship Fund, ought to know that it is a rule with all newspapers to practically ignore communications that are not concerned, his three-quarters-or-a-column of sickening advertisement of Mr. E. R. Belilios. Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C., and the Hon. (?) N. G. Mitchell-Innes has been carefully consigned to the waste-paper basket. We are quite sure that the readers of this journal have no interest in the result of the examinations of Tsang Chung-li, Wong Ping-ul, etc., and we are willing to make an affidavit that the fact that Th, Cock has gained the fifth prize of \$15 at the Diocesan School and that Miss Wong A Ling has walked away with a silver medal and \$25 at the Victoria Home and Orphanage School won't make a cent difference in the business on the Rialto to-morrow. We are glad that M Belilios has established another Trust Fund | promoting medical studies, training school Lachers, etc.; but we think it would have been in better taste had his generosity not been made public in such bare-faced fashion, and moreover, we think this money would have been better spent had it been applied to the relief of the wide-spread destitution which exists almost everywhere in the colony, Education is the business of the Government in all civilised countries; in Hongkong it is only too frequently misde a modium for gratuitous advertising by a set of scheming bummers! And author to reach potters

THE Spanish cruiser Reina Cristina, 3030 tons, Comr. Inglisias, arrived on the 15th inst. from Manila, which she left on the 12th inst.

THE young man Pugh, who was found half poisoned at a hotel in Yokohama the other day. was sentenced to twelve days' imprisonment by Judge Hannen, on the 5th last, for attempting to commit sulcide

THE fine Norddeutscher Lloydsteamer Stuttgart, which arrived from Germany on the 4th inst., having been temporarily taken off the Atlantic run, brings H.E. Hung, late Chinese Minister at Berlin, en reute to Shanghai.

IN a recent police case in Calcutta in which about a hundred Chinamen were charged with pssault, the complainants were at a complete loss to identify the culprits, as they found that they all had faces so similar that no distinction could be made.

THE Russian steamer Night Novgorod arrived in Singapore on the 8th inst., en route to Vladivostock, with 304 Russian emigrants, presumably to work on the Siberian railway. The Russian transport Moskwa, also from Odessa, arrived at Singapore the previous day, on her way to Vladivostock.

WE learn that five and a quarter inches of rain fell in Swatow on the 15th inst, between 11 a.m. and p.m. This is the heaviest downpour yet registered on the Customs meteorological records of that port. "The British consular constable's garden wall was carried away by the foaming torrents and several Chinese houses were utterly wrecked.

THE "blue-funnel" steamer Polyphemus, Capt. Lee, arrived here on the 13th inst. from Singapore and reported having encountered a stiff gale off the Macclesfield Bank two days ago. Apparently it was quite stiff enough to qualify as a typhoon, as the barometer fell from 30 degrees to 29.60. and the vessel had to run before the wind, and eventually heave to, for about eight hours, during which time a life-boat was unshipped, and some slight damage done.

Ar the Magistracy this afternoon (14th inst.) Mr. Wise heard further evidence in the case of Chan Ping and Li Asang, who are wanted by the Chinese authorities on the charges of robbery and murder committed in the Sha-chung village, Kwangtung province, on the 21st July, 1889. Chan Sau, farmer, said that about midnight on the day in question the two prisoners, together with sixteen others, broke into his house and stole clothing and jewellery, amounting in value to 1,200 tacks. The burglars, after staying about an hour. left the house, the first prisoner, and he went out, firing a revolver, and shot Chan Kim San in the chest, killing him on the spot. The matter was reported the following day to the mandarin, but nothing else was heard of the prisoners till their arrest in Hongkong. He recognised the iprisoners amongst a number of others yesterday afternoon in the Gaol. Chung Ahl, a fokl, gave corroborative evidence. Inspector Stanton gave evidence of arrest and identification, and Wong Kwok Wong, Major of the Chinese Army, and mandarin of the village, said they, were subjects of the Chinese Empire. His Worship committed the prisoners to gaol for the usual period previous to their rendition.

THE Peking Gazette reports the approaching departure of Yi-k'o-t'ang-ah, the Military Governor of the Amoor, on a tour of inspection of the northern frontier. Last winter he made a similar inspection of the districts lying to the east of Hulan, and enquired into the state of the country and the condition of the people. On the present occasion his visit will embrace Moerhken, Put'cha, Hsinganch'eng and Hellungchlang-and places occupied by soldiery where numerous granaries and military storehouses are established. He has arranged for the due discharge of his official duties during his absence by appointing Wo Heng-ngo and Niu Lengingo, to jointly preserve order in the city; they are both men of high character can be depended courage and upon in any emergency. He has associated with them two other high officials by whom the daily routine work of the yamen will be carried on, but he has left instructions that should matters of importance arise he is to be at once communicated with. On his last journey of inspection memorialist suffered greatly from the extreme cold, and although his health is much improved still he is far from strong, and he therefore proposes to travel now by easy stages. His first halting places will be Moerhken and Hsinganch'eng, where he will meet the civil and military officials from Lunch'un: he will consult with them and devise measures for putting the district in order. Afterwards he will visit the upper reaches of the Nun Chiang and examine, that country so as to be able to determine at what points garrisons shall be established, and on his return will present a detailed account of his journey.

THE UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS AND

OFFICIAL SALARIES. The following correspondence has been for warded to us by the Unofficial members, for publication :-

Hongkong, 11th May, 1891. His Excellency Major-General George Digby Briker, C.B., Letter dated 14th April, 1801, Un-Administering Officer

Government. to his Excellency Letter dated soth SIR,—We the undersigned have hon, the honor to call your Excellency's P. Ryrie to his attention to the Correspondence,

indicated in the margin, that has Letter dated stat recently passed between the Un-April, 1801. Acting official Members of the Legislative toUn-officialMem-Council of Hongkong, and the Letter dated wath Governor of the Colony, April, 1801, Un-George W. Des Vœux, K.C.M.G.
official Members Your Excellency will see from to his Excelency that Correspondence,

(1.) That in the Estimates for the current year. the Legislative Council approved of, and so far as was with their competence authorized, the payment of the salaries of the officers of the Government for the current year on a scale conaiderably in advance of pravious rates:

increased rates so authorized was not made on right to give you a general idea of the puspose anything of any being sent; "Could swear the authority of the Council, but that the question | for which it is, in my opinion, required. And positively that he never handed any letters at was reserved for and referred to the decision I will go on to tell you my reasons for preferring any time to Wood to take to Mrs. Goulbourn. of Her Majestys Secretary of State for the to get the money in this way. The principal If anybody were to swear to having seen a letter possibly he gave me it out of good nature, or other day.

Only the secretary of State for the honory in this way. The principal is in the handwriting of witness to Mrs. Gouldourn possibly he thought I knew something of his The Chairman said that if Mr. Clifford and the future development of these infant industries, Colonies, and that so far as is known, his objects for which the additional capital is in the handwriting of witness to Mrs. Goulbourn derision has not yet been received in the Colony: required are the extension of the business and during that period it would be rutterly false.

bers of Council, having come to the conclusion | with stock. At the present moment we are for him to any person whatever. that the Colony could not afford to pay the working in many of our departments on from a increased rates of salary, and that the Council month's to six weeks' stock. In some depart-Governor to move the Secretary of State to | reputation for always having good stock and letter through Wood, and did not know him.

after considerable delay, on the grounds stated continually fresh goods; than; we lose by not entirely failed, as he had no more evidence, and in his letter of the aist ultimo, to assist the being able in all cases to execute orders without Mr. Wise accordingly dismissed it. Unofficial Members in obtaining a reconsider- delay. But there are some departments in which | With regard to the two other charges, of ation of the question in this year, or even in freshness is no advantage. Nobody desires to breach of prison regulations and admitting approaching the Secretary of State on the drink new port; nobody prefers new, whisky to spirituous liquors and tobacco into the Gaol,

And Inally that the Unofficial Members sent should be kept well stocked. There are to apply for leave to obtain the evidence of a stocked in the fight Homorable departments in our business which have grown prisoner in the Gaol (Gray).

Lord Knutsford requesting that the enhanced rates of Salaries be not paid, until they had the opportunity of addressing him and of submitting

to him their views on the subject. The Unofficial Members are still without any reply to their telegram to Lord Kuutsford and without any intimation from the Government of the Colony, as to the course the Government propose to adopt with reference to the Salary question, and to their request, for a reconsideration of the whole subject. They have now therefore the honor to request information on the following points.

Have any definite instructions been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonics allowing or disallowing the increased rates of salaries for the present year?

Have any instructions been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies consequent on the Unofficial Members' telegram of the 24th April ultimo?

Does the Government intend to suspend payment of the increased salaries, if sanctioned, until the Unofficial Members have been able to address the Secretary of State, and get his decision on their views ?

We have perused, with very great care the Minute or Address published by his Excellency the Governor in the local papers of the 30th ultimo and 1st instant, and laid on the a very profitable export business from London Council table on the 30th ultimo.

They are still of opinion that the Colony cannot, for the reasons stated in the Amendment to Mr. Whitehead's motion, moved on the 10th ultimo by the Honorable Mr. Keswick, afford to pay the large increase of salaries voted for the current year, and that it is unadvisable any doubt about the ability of the Colony to Lea enhall Stret, and therefore wagons can still desirous of memorializing the Secretary of State on the subject and of having payment suspended until his final decision has been received, and they have now the honor to request that your Excellency will favour them with the information above asked for, to enable. them to decide on the action to be taken by them, and will refuse to Issue warrants for payments of salaries at the increased rates. pending a fresh appeal to the Home Government, even although the confirmatory despatch referred to by Governor des Vœux in his communication of the 21st ultimo has been received in the

An early reply will be deemed a favor, as the undersigned are desirous of laying their views before the Secretary of State with as little delay

> We have the honor to be, Sir, Your Excellency's most obedient bumble servants. (Signed) P. RYRIE. Ho Kat.

T. H. WHITEHEAD. COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

Hongkong, 13th May, 1891. SIR,-I am directed by his Excellency the Officer Administering the Government to acknowledge the receipt by him yesterday evening of a memorial dated 11th instant signed by yourself. Dr. Ho Kai, and Mr. Whitehead, calling the attention of his Excellency to correspondence which has recently taken place on the subject of and requesting information.

2. In reply I am to inform you that despatches have been received from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies conveying his lordship's views and instructions in regard to the increased salaries voted in 1891 estimates. but as their receist was preceded by a telegram from Lord Knutsford referring to a telegram from Sir G. W. des Vœux, dated 25th April, and directing the suspension of action on those despatches pending the receipt of further orders now on their way, his Excellency awaits those orders before taking further sleps.

I am desired to add that no reference was made in the telegram to any communication having been received by Lord Knutsford from the un-official members.

3. The decision as to the further action to be taken in this matter must naturally depend upon the instructions which the Secretary of State has indicated as being en route.

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your most obedient servant, (Signed) W. MRIGH GOODMAN. for Acting Colonial Secretary. The Honorable P. Ryile.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

The ordinary general meeting of the shareholders in the above Company was held at the Dispensary this afternoon (May 14th). Mr. I. D. Humphreys presided, and among those present were Messrs, H., Wicking, F. Rapp, H. Heuerman, D. McCulloch, G. T. Veitch, J. Grant, J. Jupp, S. Hagen, A. O'D. Gourdin, J H. Cox, G. C. Cox, H. Mancell, H. Humphreys, R. K. Leigh, G. Murray Bain, R. Lyall, H. Crawford, W. D. Sutton, A. M. Bruce, Chan A Fuk (business manager), and T. H. Taibot (secretary).

The Chairman said—I propose that the report and statement of accounts be taken as read, and I shall not only be very pleased to answer any questions that may be asked, but I hope that if any one has any question to ask he will take

this opportunity of bringing it forward. There were no questions, and the report and accounts as presented were unanimously adopted. On the motion of the chairman the retiring directors and auditor were re-elected.

The Chairman stated that the dividend warrants would be ready to-morrow at eleven o'clock." This concluded the business of the ordinary

An extraordinary meeting was then held for the purpose of considering a proposal to increase the capital of the Company to \$600,000, by issuing 10,000 new shares of \$10 each.

The Chairman said-Gentlemen, I beg to move the special resolution for which this meeting is convened. At the ordinary, yearly mocting at this time last year I told you that it would probably be necessary before long to increase. the capital with which the firm carried on its business. You have had a year to consider the (3.) That in March last the Unofficial Mem- the strengthening of some of our departments | Nor did he ever get Wood to carry any letter opportunity of memorializing him on the subject: physic and proprietory articles, drugs, and Gaol at all. (4.) That his Excellency the Governor refused, | chemicals, and perhaps we gain more by having | Mr. Stokes, admitted that this charge had old. Departments where age is an advantage Mr. Stokes saked for an adjournment in order

very rapidly, and are growing, but their growth is continually being checked by the certain age that people are getting accustomed to in wines not being always maintainable, and I think that this ought to be avoided. I should look upon this sort of stock-stock that has to be aged (and you really must age many things yourself now in order to ensure that they are

what they purport to be) I should think that this sort of stock would be a very good investment for a part of the reserve fund. It might be kept in a separate building and be maintained from year to year, in increasing quantities, if possible, as the growth of the business warranted. Money is also required for our London business. At present it has been almost entirely occupied in doing the work of our own firm. Hongkong supplies a great many of the branches, but Manila and Shanghai are supplied direct from London, and to some extent Hankow and Tientsin. In London we have the nucleus of a very efficient staff and a well trained staff, having a knowledge of the business we do in all parts of the world. We have a knowledge of the markets, and we can buy as well, probably better than, many other people can, but certainly as well as anybody else can, and it has always occurred to me that we might increase our London staff and do to all parts of the world. That has been on the shelf a good many years. The last time when I went home I took premises suitable for the purpose in Fenchurch Buildings, and there we are about to remove, if we have not already removed. The building is suited in every way for the purpose. There is a yard big enough that they should be paid this year if there is for us, with only a foot thoroughfare into defray them as a permanent charge. They are | be allowed to rest or wait during the day, to discharge cargo, or take in itesh loads. office in Fenchurch Street is not enough. If you do not sanction or confirm this resolution the building will be no incubus to you, as there are tenants now, and I can ensure having somebody else to take over the building, so that your hand is not forced in any way by my having taken these premises. I think I have already indicated one way in which I would invest thereserve funds of the business. Up to now for the greater part they have been invested in bricks and mortar only-in business premises occupied by ourselves. I think you will agree with me that there are two very safe methods of invest. ment. And now as to the way in which the shares should be issued. The last issue was thrown open to the public, and I think the shares were many times over-applied for-171 times applied for. At that time it was judicious in the interests of the company to give the public an interest in the business: the public readily availed themselves of the opportunity and it has strengthened business very much, for as you know there have been rather depressing times, but not withstanding these depressing times and the very serious check to our onward progress by the fire which occurred in May last we have done an increasing business. The first four months, in point of fact, up to the date of the fire last year, promised a very handsome business and good returns for the year. During that period the returns (gross) were 22 per cent. in advance of the returns for the corresponding period of the previous year. There was of course a big drop after the the salaries of the officers of this Government, fire, for the simple reason that we could not supply the demand, but as the supplies came forward the business began to grow again, and towards the end of the year it had recovered itself. During the first four months of this year (we have only the figures up to that time) I see that although the first two months of this year were below 1890, for the first two months the figures of last year were in excess of those of the year before, and the last two months of this year are in excess of March and April of last year, which were the best two months we ever had (Applause) I would propose to issue the new shares to present shareholders only. I put the resolution in an open manner, but I think it only right to tell you that that is what mean to do. The only thing is that I dare say there are many shareholders who are not registered yet, and some time ought to be allowed to them to register, so that I would

> move the special resolution, and ask one of you to be kind enough to second it. The resolution was duly seconded and carried

> not issue any new capital for at least a mouth

from this date. With this explanation I would

unanimously. The Chairman in closing mentioned that the shares were to be issued at a premium of not less than 100 per cent, even to the shareholders. He had been told shareholders ought to get them for less, but did not think in the interests of the Company it could be done. It was necessary to strengthen the Company and put it on a solid footing, and in the interests of the shareholders themselves there should be no such advantage. There were over 800 shareholders, and it would add very greatly to the difficulties of alloting. Another meeting would be required to confirm this

After some little discussion as to preference in allotting shares, the meeting was brought to The notice convening the meeting having close by a vote of thanks to the Chairman and

LIFE IN VICTORIA GAOL.

Certain statements have been made recently in local publications as to prisoners in Victoria Gaol being able to enjoy luxuries not contemplated by the Prison Regulations. These yarns seem to have misled the guileless Crown Prosecutor, who this morning (14th inst) made a conspicuous exhibition of feebleness in the utter collapse of a charge brought against one of the warders before the Magistrate.

Mr. Stokes (as one of the Crown Solicitors) appeared to prosecute in the case Queen v. L. Wood, on three charges. He first took the charge of carrying letters from a prisoner between the 20th November and 7th April last,

Mr. Caldwell defended. Mr. G. W. Ward was first called, and stated that he was a prisoner in Victoria Gaol between November, 20th and April 7th, During that time he did not write letters to Mrs. Goulbourn. matter and the resolution is now formally put. He did not write nor see any letters and scrubbing, is an indulgence. The former is (2.) That payment of the salaries at the before you to-day. In moving it I think it only written or sent to Mrs. Goulbourn, nor know | preferable."

No cross-examination: Mrs. Judith Goulbours stated that she had in voting them had acted hastily and impro- ments there is a certain amount of advantage in not at any time between last November and now vidently, took's eps to have the question recon- this, because although you may slightly restrict ever had a letter handed to her from any prisoner sidered, and requested his Excellency the business, you have no bad stock; and obtain a in the Gaol by Wood. Never received any memory in any way. reserve his decision until they had had the hew stock. This is especially the case in Never received any letter from a prisoner in the

The case was therefore adjourned until to-

Mr. Stokes also asked his Worship to allow a charge against a head turnkey, named Quin, to stand over, on the same grounds.

The defendant was called and charged that about the 12th March he unlawfully violated the mison regulations. He pleaded that he had been already convicted and punished for that offence, and was fined \$10 by Major-General Gordon, then Superintendent, who has now

Defendant was further charged that on December 25, 1897, he unlawfully suffered spirituous liquors to enter the Gaol. He denied the charge. The case was remanded till to-morrow.

At the Magistracy this morning (15th inst.) before Mr. A. C. Wise, the adjourned summonses against J. L. Wood, turnkey, for having introduced liquor into Gaol, and having given a cigar to prisoner named John Gray, were further heard. Mr. Stokes, Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, on behalf of A. M. Thomson, Acting Superintendent of Victoria Gaol, and Mr. Caldwell, of Messrs. Caldwell and Wilkinson, defended.

Mr. Stokes suggested that the two charges against the defendant should be heard together. and asked his Worship to amend the charges. as he wished to make it read that the defendant was not only charged with carrying spirituous liquors to G. W. Ward, but also to others.

Mr. Caldwell had no objection to the amendment, but said it was only fair to the defendant to let him know the time and place of the alleged offences.

His Worship said he would see that no harm was done to Mr. Caldwell's client, and he would go on with the case.—After some discussion present. Gray's work at the time was in the evidence was then called; the first witness being library. H. Watson, who said :-- I am a prisoner it turnkey in the gaol. The defendant has once given me spirits whilst in gaol. was on Christmas Day. Prisoner Gray was present. It was given to me in the Prisoners' Library. He never gave me tobacco. I never saw him give tobacco or cigars to others. I saw him give cigarettes to a prisoner named Ward. That was on the steps leading to the printing

and I saw one or two cigarettes fall on the stairs. I suppose they had fallen in handling. This was a few days before Christmas Day. Cross-examined by Mr. Caldwell :- I am in gaol for larceny. My sentence is seven years. saw the Superintendent last night in the presence of Mr. Stokes, in the office. I have been in gaol

office. I was going up-stairs, from the corridor,

three years and five months. You were told, I suppose, in the event of a conviction in this case your sentence would be shortened, were you not?-No; I was not. Well, some hopes were held out to you, were

they not?-No.. When do you expect to get out of gaol?—At the end of my time. I was doing hard labour until last Friday. I was first spoken to about this case last Tuesday or Wednesday week. I was then in hospital. Now that I am not in hospital the Superintendent has given me a billet as librarian. He did so last Friday. The billet was vacant, owing to the previous librarian being released, and I applied for the place. The defendant gave me some spirits on Christmas Day, in the library between one and two o'clock in the afternoon. The prisoner Gray was there. It was in an ordinary medicine bottle. Gray had some. It was neat whisky. Gray may have had the first drink. When I and Gray had had a drink, the bottle was passed round again. I don't know why the

defendant gave, me the whisky. Then why did you reveal the fact ?-I should not have done so had I not been questioned. librarian or the remission of hard labour has

anything to do with this case ?-I do not. By the Court :-- I don't think Wood or Ward saw me when the cigarettes were being given. John Gray was then called, and examined as follows: -- I am a prisoner in Victoria Gaol. I know the defendant as a turnkey in the Gaol. He has given me spirits on more than one occasion. remember Watson being present on one occasion -on Christmas Day, in the prisoners' library. He has offered clears to me. The prisoner Watson has told me that the defendant has given him cigars. He offered me one about the and or the 5th of this month. I have not seen him give liquor or cigara to any other prisoner,

except Watson. Cross-examined: — I was convicted for larceny, and sentenced to three years' imprisonment. Of that time I have served about thirteen months. I expect to get out when I have served two years. I saw the Superintendent yesterday

afternoon. Have you been told that in case of a conviction in this case you would be likely to get some have not been told anything of the kind. Are you on hard labour now?—I suppose we

are always on hard labour. and washing at present Is that what is called hard labour?—I do not

know, but I would say it was hard labour. Then you call that hard labour?-I do. Is not shot-drill hard labour?—Yes.

I suppose you used to do that ?-Yes, but I do not do so now. When did you leave that off?—In June last

Then there is another form of labour—oakum picking. Did you do any of that?—Yes. When did you knock off that?—This month.

When, this week?-No. Last week?—Most probably last week. About Friday !-- No it was not Friday.

remember the day was a Monday. Had you heard anything of the defendant's case before oakum-picking was knocked off?-No. I had not.

Who told you to knock off oakum-picking?— The Superintendent. He asked you what you knew about this case suppose?-He asked me, but I did not tell

him what I knew. Then he possibly knocked off your cakumpicking because you did not tell him anything? -Possibly. That was an indulgence?-I do not know that

have been in receipt of any indulgence. I do not think oakum-picking, as against washing

I expect he did so for one of two reasonspossibly he shought I knew something of his giving things to Ward kind-brandy or whisky.

What was it in ?—A medicine bottle, I should was. I did not let the matter press upon my

Are you sure he was there?-I am not absolutely positive about it. and or 5th of this month.

part of the gael. About what time was it !- About 5 a.m., as near as I can say. He speke to you through the gate ?-- Yes. He only offered it to you ?-Yes.

day when that took place ?- I am.

Have you a cell by yourself?-I have. Is Watson the same ?-I believe so.

Do you see Watson at all in the recreation ground or anywhere?-No, he does not take exercise now that he is in charge of the bookbinding, and I get quite enough recreation in

You never saw Watson to speak to about this matter f-No. You did not know Watson was to be a witness. in this case ?—No. .

Re-examined :-- Wood has given me cigars. cannot say he has done so since December. He told me he had given Ward cigars. By his Worship:—The defendant

frequently given me spirits; he has given me spirits on more than three occasions. I have never rewarded him in any way.

Mr. Stokes said he wished to ask for a remand, as he had received certain instructions which he wished to follow up further. Mr. Caldwell had no objection.

His Worship remar led the case till Wednesday, Mr. Stokes not asking for ball.

J. Quinn, head-turnkey, Victoria Gaol, was then charged with carrying spirituous linuors into the Gaol to be used by prisoners, contrary to Ordinance 18 of 1882, on the 25th December, 1890.—Mr. Stokes presecuted.

Henry Watson, re-called, said that he knew the defendant as a head-turnkey in Gaol. He gave witness spirits on Christmas Day last year. The spirits were contained in a Florida water bottle. He thought the drink was mixed with Florida water. He was sure there was some scent in it. He was given the drink in the library in the afternoon. The prisoner Gray was

Cross-examined by the defendant-I was Victoria Gaol. I know the defendant : he is a | the library. You gave me the bottle and I gave some to Gray. I do not know if Gray saw you give me the bottle, but I'think he did. I did not report it then, and I would not have done so now, only I was questioned. The bottle held about half a pint. I cannot say where the bottle is, but I think General Gordon got i Gray did not drink any of it in you

presence. You had walked away. John Gray stated that he could not say that the defendant had ever given him spirits. "He had seen him give spirits to Watson. It happened on Christmas Day, and was in the prisoners' library. He could not remember the time of the day, but it was between 7 a.m. and p.m. The liquor was in a Florida water bottle

His Worship-Did you taste it ?-I did. Did the defendant but it in Watson's hand?-

You are quite sure it was spirits ?-Yes. Cross-examined by the defendant-I canno remember the time. I saw the liquor in Watson hand. You were not in the library when we drank it. You had walked away.

Why did you not report it at the time?— Would you have liked me to have done so Mr. Stokes said that was the case for the prosecution, and he did not propose to sa anything.

In answer to his Worship, the defendant said he was innocent of the charge. He had been seven years employed in the Gaol, and over thirty years a Government servant, and he thought he knew his duty by this time. He had no witnesses.

His Worship, addressing Mr. Thomson, asked what the defendant's character was, Mr. Thomson said he could not say, but the defendant had not been reported to him since I his appointment. Perhaps Jones, the warden,

would know. Jones was called, and said he could not remember all the reports against the defendant And you do not think your appointment of but he had had a serious one against him recently. (He produced the record book, which his Worship looked at.)

His Worship—He never seems to have been actually punished. Jones—He was fined 210 once.

Mr. Thomson—That is the highest fine that can be imposed. esterday being fined \$10 tor some offence. [However, he would not deal with the case at present. He would adjourn it for a week, and allow the defendant out on ball in a sum of \$200. (addressing Mr. Thomson)—I presume the defen-

dant is suspended from duty... Mr. Thomson replied in the affirmative.

HALL AND HOLTZ CO-OPERATIV COMPANY, LIMITED.

senting in all 3.884 shares and 333 votes.

I. D. Clark--carried forward.

having withdrawn.

such a meeting must almost nocessarily be public, all the energies and resources of those who have Was Watson there at the time ?-I believe he and if it were necessary to do anything in the way | taken in hand the building of rallways and the of enquiring into the conduct of the business it opening of mines in China. But as long as the would be much better in the interests of the Viceroy and those associated with him in these shareholders not to have the meeting but to great tasks permit such outbreaks as that at appoint a committee of shareholders to consult | Kaiping on the 8th of April, when Mr. Hurns, When did he give you a cigar ?-About the | with the Board privately. | the loremans of the Railway Works and

Are you quite certain about the time of the Mr. Drummond thought be condended in all the Cantonese employes of the sidered tather significant by doport from the Mining Company upon the Relierty works, when

usual custom by not having the meeting

Mr. Wainewright did not think any inference could be drawn, as it was so obviously unde-

sirable to have the meeting reported. Mr. Drummond said the objection to holding an informal meeting at the end of the present one was that it would be impossible to discuss the affairs of the company at such a meeting to any usoful purpose, and it would be much better to appoint a committee of three or four or five

shareholders to confer with the directors. The Chairman suggested that the other managers, Mesars, Short and Dyer, should be allowed to place their scheme before the shareholders before appointing a committee.

Mr. Drummond said it would not be necessary for them to put any scheme before the share-·holders, but it would do to put it before the committee appointed to consult with the directors. Some further discussion took place, Mr. Wainewright and Mr. Dallas pointing out that the appointment of a committee of shareholders was

not intended in any way to be considered as a vote of want of confidence in the directors. Mr. Clifford said that with reference to something which had been said at the last meeting as to the Hongkong business, he would like to call upon Mr. Skeels the manager at Hongkong, who was present, to make a statement with regard to the Hongkong company.

Mr. A. E. Skeels-Mr. Chairman, I feel it incumbent upon me_(with your permission) to" make a few remarks to the Fuh-lee shareholders. Gentlemen, considering the widespread depression in Hongkong during the past two years and the enormous difficulties we have had to contend with since our formation, I think that all business men (especially, Hongkong residents) will look upon the Hongkong Trading Company's report for the past year as fairly satisfactory for a new business. It is hardly necessary for me to revert to the period of acquiring this concern, as It is well known that the main object of getting a footing into Mongkong was to forward the interests of the Empire Brewery, and I think your managers are prepared to admit that the sales thus far have exceeded their anticipations : in fact we only require a part of the contracts for the troops to make this the most valuable portion of your property. I venture to say that when you are prepared to cater for these contracts you will eventually secure them, as there are no pale ales or stouts imported to compare with the present brews you have placed on the market.) In other branches of our business we are doing a steady trade, baving broken down the so-called monopoly said to exist in Hongkong. Our new. premises are admirably situated, and having now gained the confidence of the public our success (in my opinion) in the future is assured. I may also add that returns to the end of March of this year compare most favourably with last year's figures to the same date.

The motion was then put and carried. Mr. Dallas moved.

That Mr. Geo. R. Corner be re-elected as Mr. Clifford seconded and the motion was

The Chairman asked Mr. Diummond if he was prepared to nominate any shareholders as members of the committee:

'Mr. Drummond said not. He was merely the representative of an absent shareholder and it would be better for the nominations to be made ov. actual shareholders. Mr. Clifford said he thought two should be

nominated by himself and one by the Directors. Mr. Waincwright said he thought the Board could he trusted to invite some shareholders to confer with them. Mr. Clifford said the Board would be in favour of persons who supported their own policy and

might neutralise all his efforts for reform. The Chairman asked Mr. Clifford to make a Mr. Clifford sald he would make a compromise. He would nominate two, and the Board two.

Chairman said that when Mr. Nölting returned, the Board would nominate two shareholders, and request them to attend the Board meeting. His Worship said the defendant admitted . The proceedings then terminated with a vote of thanks to the Chairman .- Mercury.

THE FOREIGN RAILWAY EMPLOYES IN CHINA.

During the past couple of weeks notes have appeared in the public papers with reference to what cannot but he considered as a most serious outbreak of anti-foreign feeling in a field in The adjourned general meeting of shareholders [which, for China's own sake, it is most essential in the above was held at the Company's offices, that she should have the best foreign assistance Shanghal, on the 6th inst. Mr. John Morris l'obtainable—in her newly opened and till presiding. There were present, Messrs. W. H. struggling railway system in the metropolitan remission, or have your sentence shortened?-I Short, W. W. Clifford, A. E. Skeels, J. A. province. The trouble at Kalping has culminated Stewart, R. E. Walnewright, J. S. Nazer, R. W. in the voluntary retirement of seven out of the Mustard, J. Ambrose, H. M. Perkins, H. J. fourteen English guards, engine drivers, foremen Limby, B. Clough, A. Cload, J. P. Cottam, W. and other working employes of the Raliway and Well, what do you do now ?-I am scrubbing H. Bentty, F. E. Riley, C. H. Hutchings, C. H. Mining Companies, and we are not at all sur-Dallas, J. Mooss, and W. V. Drummond, repre- prised; therefore, to hear that his Excellency the Viceroy of Chihli has Issued orders to Mr. The Chairman said the question before the Kinder to engage other Foreigners from whatever meeting was the amendment moved at the last Journter available to fill the places of the men. meeting by Mr. Galles and seconded by Mr. who have by reason of the mob violence, which provalls in the neighbourhood of Tongshan, been That no dividend be paid, and that the whole Horced to throw up their employment. Several of balance at credit of profit and loss account be I the men are now in Shanghai on their way home, and amongst them are some of the cidest and This motion was then put to the vote and most respected employes of both companies. carried by a large majority. The Chairman said the next resolution was ployment and good pay without grave reasons, proposed by himself and seconded by Mr. but from all accounts the ex-employes of Notting. .. It was -- Mark Languages with the way China's pioneer Railway and Mining Com-That the report and accounts of the Hall & panies could anothewell mhave remained hat Holts Co-operative Co., Ltd., as amended, be their work in the North, without seriously The motion was carried, as the same the same which have sled to the stroubles we have The Chairman said the retiring Directors were not to go far to seek. They are of a the only persons eligible for election as Directors; | characteristic Chinese kind, and bear a close the shareholder who had handed in his name; analogy to those which lately caused the retirement from China's navy of Admiral Lang and Mr. Corner proposed and Mr. Skeels seconded, other English naval officers serving in Li's fleet. That Messrs. Morris, Nölting, Walker, and In the latter case it was the lealousy and ill-Clifford be re-elected for the ensuing year. concealed hatred by the Fukienese faction of the Mr. Clifford said he wished before allowing. Foreign element in the control and ordinary his name to be put to the meeting to sak the working of the ships that forced on the present Chairman if he was prepared to advocate any imsatisfactory! situation; in the rallway and system of reformer a seem advantagement about mining district his been brought about The Chairman said he was not prepared to by the Cantoness delement which has

answer that, question at present of the were fleen largely introduced, both because of their elected he would be willing to hear suggestions superior mechanical skill and also because the and say what the directors were willing to do? " directors of the companies show the usual Mr. Drummond asked if it was intended to clannish feeling for their own provincials. The go on with the special mosting referred to the tructilence and outrageous behaviour of these the twenty shareholders still required it, no; which certainly need all the encouragement and What was the drink ?-It was spirits of some | doubt the Board would be willing to have the co-operation they can get, and anything which necting.

Mr. Drummond said that the proceedings at outside opposition is quite enough in itself to tax The Chairman said that when the business Inspector of Rolling Stock, was nearly murdered What part of the gaol was that in ?-The top, of the meeting was concluded they saight invite by the Cantonese, employes of the Mining the shareholders present to remain and discuss Company, to go unpunished, progress will the situation informally into gue Language will be slow and confusion and trouble will add to Mr. Walnewright said there was no obligation | the difficulties of the ploneers of such work in to have a report of the proposed meeting. China. So far as we can learn, there seems to

had nothing whatever to do with them, and their the would-be, assassin was cut down by a police | America are, no doubt, discussing this latest set upon by a number of Cantonese apprentices accounts as to this differ-and dropped his so well how to use in such cases. He managed | wound in the back, and the man was then to free himself from the mob, and it is secured. After this, H.I.H. returned to the admitted that in doing so he pushed one of his | Kencho, where he remained quietly and in the assailants out of his way, as any man would do | meantime physicians from Osaka and Kyoto the most of this fact, and one of their number | and arrived at the hotel at 5.15 p.m. A medical fellow-rowdies alleged, of the push which he had I found that the blows had not injured the frontal received. But upon being carefully examined investigation was held next day into the trouble at the Directors' office, and it was when leaving the premises in which the enquiry had been held that the second and more serious attack was made upon Mr. Burns. Between three and four hundred. of the Cantonese workmen employed at the mines set upon him outside the Directors' office and beat him in the most merciless and brutal manner with pit-poles and whatever improvised weapons they could lay hands upon. It was a case of one man against several hundred, and there was no hope for him of successfully resisting his assailants; he was soon one mass of cuts and bruises and there is every reason to believe that had not an engine, driven by a Kalping man, with whose people the Cantonese are also at enmity, come along and Director and Vice Director of the Police scattered the crowd the foreman would have been | Bureau, and Drs. Hashimoto, Baels and barbarously murdered under the very noses of Scriba; whilst still faither to show his the Directors of the railway, who showed no sympathy with his guest, His Majesty disposition, either through fear or disinclination. to interfere with their marderous fellow-provin- 6.30 this morning. Previous to the departure cials. After a while the unfortunate foreman managed to catch hold of the hand-rail of the locomotive, which despite the shower of stones from all sides, he clung to as it was slowly driven away out of range. Mr. Burns was eventually dragged upon the locomotive by the engineer-driver, to whose pluck he owes his life Dr. Bamber at the junction met the engine, which proceeded direct to Tlentsin. The injuries which Mr. Burns received were of a most serious character, and it is feared that the shock will leave its mark upon him for life. So serious then became the hostility of the Cantoness on the railway and at the mine, that Foreign overman, drivers and guards, some twelve or fourteen in number, immediately held a meeting, and decided to leave Tongshan and Kalping and go to Tientsin until redress was obtained for this scandalous outrage, the ring-leaders of which they desired to have punished. After many delays and attempts to compromise matters the Directors informed the Foreigners in Tientsin that the men had been arrested and besought them to return to their work. But it subsequently transpired on the return of some of the Foreign employes that such was not the case, and they were mobbed and insulted as soon as they set foot again amongst the Cantonese. So threatening was the demeanour of these gentry and so powerless did the Directors seem to be to control the fierce tide of hostility towards the

who openly expressed their intention of driving every Foreigner away from the place. After much negotiation the Directors concluded that it would be wiser not to risk further trouble and they paid the seven English miners and railway employes to the end of their agreements. some three or four months' salary, and their passage-money home. Mr. Burns, who is still suffering severely from the effects of the outrage, claimed 18 months' salary and put his claim in proper form before the British Consul, Mr. Byron Brenan, a course which does not appear to have assisted him very much. In the end he had to accept three months' pay, which is but poor compensation for the injuries he sustained and the treatment he received after four years' services to the new railway. The Consul, we are informed, utterly declined to take may steps to secure the punishment of the assailants of his national, alleging his powerlessness to do anything unless he had "twenty British men-of-war in the Peiho" to support his demands. The whole matter was laid before the Viceroy, who also seems unable to control the Cantonese in his province, of which in the Mining and Railway districts at least they have taken charge. But we trust the matter will be taken up in more influential quarters, for such outrages upon British subjects in Chinese employ, whose position is rapidly becoming untenable, must be paid for heavily. The question calls for vigorous action and we would most strongly urge that it should not be overlooked by those responsible for the protection foreigners in China. The railway is being rapidly pushed on to Shan-hal-kwan, and extra foreign employes are being engaged a upon all who contemplate going to the Chinese rallway and mining region we would also impress the necessity of getting assurances that they will be protected against the violence of the Cantonese on their arrival. If nothing is done to obtain satisfaction for this outrage, their lives will not be worth much, now that the cry in the North is "Chill for the Cantonese."-Shanghai

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decided to go Tientsin, and said they could not

continue to work unless they got protection

against the lawless and infurlated Cantonese,

THE ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF THE CZAREWITCH.

Mercury.

The following details of the attempt on the life of the Czarowitch are given in the Japan Herald of the 12th inst.;-

Japan unfortunately possesses an unhappy in Asia, have a sort of instinctive dread of that preeminence, was made yesterday, which placed in jeopardy the life of the helr to the crown of lalthough in exchange for the Kurile Islands all the Russias. It was known that H. I. H. Frather augmented than diminished that feeling was to visit the neighbourhood of Lake Biwa, and yesterday afternoon news reached Tokyo, that he had been set upon by one of the Police. I'm particular, we add the fact that many The information-did-not reach-Yokohama-until | Japanese detest the honour shown to foreign the evening, and this morning we issued two princes, thinking that their own Emperor is expresses, the first merely stating the fact that superior to all, we find quite enough to account the Prince had been wounded, and the second lifer the sudden attempt to murder, without seekcontaining farther particulars, with the welcome ling for a supposititious insanity. intelligence that the wound was only a slight one. More detailed information has since for Japan, and coming so soon after the attack

rences of the day in a narrative form.

morning at 8 o'clock, in jinrikisha, in company ition Japan will suffer, and retarding blow has with Prince George of Greece, his suits, and a been given to treaty revision. The continued number of Japanese officials, for the purpose of imurders and attempted murders of Japanese inspecting the various objects of interest in the Ministers; these ever-recurring attacks on acighbourhood of Otsu. After visiting the foreigners, will do much to support the protest. different scenes, H.I.H. had tiffin at the Shiga of the foreign residents against being placed Kencho, which he left shortly before 2 p.m., on | under Japanese jurisdiction, because it shows to his return. Whilst proceeding through Kloms. what a very slight extent the vaunted civilizachi in Otsu, about 6 or 7 cho from the Kenche, tion has penetrated the native mind. Vis-à-vie Tsuda Sanzo, a policeman stationed on the right | Russia, all that can be done has been done hand side of the road, suddenly drew his sword, to stone for the strack on the life of the and making a blow at H.I.H. cut him, through | Crarewitch; the immediate despatch of an his hat, inflicting two wounds extending from Imperial Prince; the departure of the Ministers; the side to the front of his forehead. They are | and finally the hurrled journey of the Emperor believed to have been inflicted by a single blow. to the scene, all prove the desire of the Sovereign H.I.H. was immediately taken into a small of Japan to repair, as far as may be in his power, shop by the roadside, where the bleeding was the mischief done. But in regard to Japanese stopped, and temporary bandages were ap- pretensions in the face of the world, they have

brutal and cowardly attack upon him in the first | Inspector, but this was an error. Later despatches instance was caused by simple hatred of say that the man was knocked down with a Foreigners. He was leaving the workshop stick either by Prince George of Greece, or some after his day's duties were finished, when he was other officer of the Czarewitch's suite,—the and pushed roughly about and assailed with the sword, which was immediately seized by one of usual choice epithets that Chinese roughs know | the jinrikisha coolies, who inflicted a heavy under the circumstances, in mere self-defence, were summoned to attend him. When sufficiently As usual in such cases the Chinese roughs made | restored, he took the train from Baba to Kipto, shammed illness, in consequence, as he and his examination was immediately made, and it was bone, but were slight cuts, one of nine, and the by Dr. Bamber no traces or mark of any hurt other of seven centimetres in length. H.I.H. whatever could be found upon him. An was said to be in very good spirits, and had conversed freely with his suits.

Meanwhile the news had reached Tokyo, some half-hour after the attack, and all was consternation, as it was not thought possible that the victim of a blow from a sword could have escaped so easily, and it was feared that the wounds were, at least, dangerous. Both the Emperor and Empress were much affected, and expressed their deepest regrets. Under Instructions from H. J. Majesty, H. I. H. Kita-Shirakawa-no-Miya left on a message of condolence accompanied by several of the Court Physicians in a special train at 4.30 p.m., and at 0.30 p.m. another special train left conveying Count Saigo, Minister for Home Affairs, Viscount Aoki, Minister of Foreign Affairs, the himself left in a special train for Kyoto at of the Ministers, however, a Cabinet Council had been held, the result of which was that a special issue of the Official Gasette announced that the following rescript had been handed by the Emperor to Count Matsukata :-

IMPERIAL RESCRIPT.

It is with the most profound grief and regret that, while We, with Our Government and Our Subjects, have been preparing to welcome His Imperial Highness, Our beloved and respected Crown Prince of Russia, with all the honors and hospitalities due to Our national guest, we receive the most unexpected and surprising announcement that His Imperial Highness met with a deplorable accident at Otsu whilst on his fourney. It is Our will that justice shall take its speedy course on the miscreant offender, to the end that Ourmind may be relieved, and that Our friendly and intimate relations with Our good neighbor may be secured against distur-

At the same time special instructions were issued from Count Saigo, giving orders to the local authorities, to exert greater care in the guarding of the Czarewitch, in accordance with the Imperial will, as His Majesty was especially concerned at the attack made upon him by an offender at Otsu; and that strict police watch should be kept, not only at the places of his stoppage, but also during his journeys. Counts Goto and Yamada, Viscounts Aoki and Kubayama and Mr. Mutsu all called at the Russian Legation yesterday to express their regret at the attack. A message has also been sent to the Nagoya Gendarmerie station to send fifty gendarmes to Kyoto as a special guard.

These are all the facts known, up to the pre-

sent time, of this most lamentable occurrence, of

which it is difficult to divine the cause. We all

know that there is a strong Nihilistic feeling in Europe, and in Russia especially, against the Imperial family, and we were also told that special precautions were taken by the English officials in India for the safety of the Czarewitch during his journey there, but it seemed almost Impossible to imagine that any hatred to the Russian Imperial family could have existed in Japan. Besides which, whatever may be particular faults of Russia's internal policy, and to most persons' ideas they are neither small nor few, for these the Heir to the throne is as guiltless as is any resident in Japan. We have never yet heard his name used as interfering in political questions, and he certainly cannot be blamed for the type of government enforced by the present Ruler of Russia, even although that autocrat be his father. We do not, however, look upon the recent attempted assassination as the result of Nihilistic plots or tendencies. The Government official telegrams repeat again and again that the man was a lunatic, but we cannot believe this. Had the man been insane his comrades, his officers, who were in momentary contact with him, must have noticed it, and he would not have been employed Even the statement in the official telegram that, upon being interrogated after the occurrence, he expressed deep regret at his heinous crime, tells against the Government view. man does not suddenly lose his senses in a moment, and as suddenly regain them. mere idea is repugnant to common sense. If we substitute fanatic for lunatic we are probable nearer the mark. There is no doubt a settled hatred of foreigners amongst a certain class of the native population, which is continually showing itself. We are told by the organ of the Japanese Government that the English are the nation most detested, but it seems to us that the Japanese is tolerably impartial in his hatred of foreigners, and that all suffer in turn. residents of the neighbourhood of Kyoto and Osaka seem to be peculiarly imbued with this spirit of fanaticism, and no rank awes them; witness the attack on Sir Harry Parkes a Kyoto; the outrage, eleven years ago, on Prince Heinrich, and the occurrence of yesterday Besides this, it must be remembered that One of those dustardly attacks, for which inatives who have followed the career of Russia Power, and the cession of Saghalien to her, liWhen to this native ferocity of temper, and this hatred of foreigners in general, and of Russians

The occurrence is, however, a lamentable one arrived, and it may be well to give the occur- at the Russian Legation, wears a somewhat ominous look.) Even if Russia be disposed to H.I.H. the Czarewitch left Kyoto yesterday accept the explanations made, in general estimapiled. What happened after the attack is not received a set back from which they will not

outbreak of Japanese ferocity or fanaticism, call it what you will. The only thing upon which Japan can congratulate herself, is the very fortunate salvation of the life of the Catrevitch from the attack of a dastardly assauting

Mr. Reding, Consul for Russia at Shanghai received a telegram from the Russian Legation at Tokyo on Friday last, stating that His Imperial Highness is rapidly recovering from his wound, on board the Pamiat Axova, at Kobe.

WRECK OF THE STEAMER "ALBANY."

News of the wicck of the British steamer Albany, Captain Hood, was received here late on Hongkong and Shanghai cargo, so it is probable | Shanghai. that if the steamer has foundered she has gone down with a large and valuable cargo consisting chiefly of tea and rice. The agents here have not yet been advised as to the cause of the disaster or where it happened, but it is supposed that it may have occurred in the neighbourhood of the Gotto Island, some 70 miles to the southward of Nagasaki Heads, during a dense fog; the ship having probably been set to the northward of her course by the strong currents prevailing at times on the coasts of Japan. As to whether any, or all of the crew of the ill-fated steamer have perished, is not yet known, but it is improbable that there were any passengers on board at the time, the vessel being a cargo carrier

ANTI-FOREIGN OUTBREAK AT WUHU.

A serious attack on the foreign residents at Wuhu occurred last week. A correspondent of the N. C. Daily News gives the following details :-

For several days past rumours have been firating about that a mob had determined to loot and fire the property belonging to the Jesuit Fathers here, the reason for this being that a number of Chinese children had been sefzed and killed, and their eyes taken out to make medicine for the fathers. Very little notice was taken of these threats by the foreigners, but on Tuesday we found that our confidence was misplaced. Soon after noon of that day crowds began to collect round the premises occupied by the Fathers, and at about 4 p.m. they broke through the walls, burst open the doors, drove the Fathers out, and commenced looting and destroying everything they could find. They then set fire to the house in which the Fathers lived, and which was a splendid building only finished a few months since, the cathedral, hospital, and all other buildings in the compound. They next proceeded to the English Consulate, and began to throw stones through the windows, and destroy the flowers and other properties in the garden, and it was only the timely arrival of the Taotal with some men, and the coolness of the Consul, (Mr. Colin Ford) that saved this fine building from being set on fire. Hundreds of savage natives were yelling and howling round the place, and the Consul and his wife had to disguise themselves in Chinese clothes in order to escape from their fury.

At 8 o'clock all the foreigners succeeded in getting to the Custom House; which is on the bank of the river. . The ladies and children were sent on to the China Navigation Company's receiving ship, the Consul and a number of foreigners going off also for their protection. The other foreigners fully armed remained at the Custom House, as word was brought in that the mob intended to burn it dawn and all "the surrounding buildings, which are occupied by members of the Customs staff, and owned by the Jesuits. Twice during the night these houses were looted and set on fire, and it was only the prompt steps taken by the Commissioner (Mr. Woodruff) and his staff, assisted by the Taotai who behaved very well, that saved the whole of this property from being burnt,

On Wednesday morning things were more quiet, and men, women, and children employed themselves in carrying away from the houses of the Fathers and the Customs offices anything they could find, that had not been looted or destroyed. By 10 o'clock an immense crowd had again collected behind the Custom House, and the surrounding buildings were again fired. The members of the Customs staff fully armed charged the crowd again and again, put out these fires, and by their determination and pluck succeeded in keeping thousands of men at bay. At 3 p.m. we were delighted by the arrival of three Chinese gunboats; these were anchored between the receiving-ships and the shore, and at once began to fire off blank cartridges, and it was very amusing to see the mob flying as though showers of grape were falling amongst

Some 200 soldiers have turned up this morning from Taiping Fu, so for the time being we feel again sale. Great praise is due to Mr. Woodruff and his staff for the determined way in which they protected the Custom House, their action proving that a few men armed with rifles and endowed with pluck are quite sufficient to stop a big Chinese mob. No rifle was fired, but a few touches of the bayonet, and a prick or two from a sword, showed these people that the foreigners were not to be trifled with. There is no doubt but that the arrival of the gunboats last night saved the place from being looted and fired, as it was ascertained from most reliable sources that the mob was only waiting for night to make a raid on the property owned by the Jesuits, and where it would have ended none can During the time the cathedral was being fired, men well dressed in silks and sating were seen to be directing the crowd; and it seems a pity that these, and not a few wretched coolies, have not been arrested. sudden outbreak should. I think, again teach, a lesson tothose interested, I mean the unprotected state of the river ports, and I trust the Admiral gunboat to be stationed between Chinkiang and Tuesday night, but none has yet arrived.

Several complaints are being made as to the action of the clerks in the Chinese telegraph office at this time. Messages were sent to the office on Tuesday night for transmission, by the Consul, and some of the shipping agents, but the operator refused to send them until he had himself wired to the head office in Shanghai.

asking for permission to do so. rath May. the Roman Catholic Mission and asked for their children. Of course, they were not there, but the women commenced to lament and a crowd,

Yangchow, and in the afternoon, the two women | experimental trip on the river, and proved a who had lost their children again went to the success in every way so far as the exemplifica-Mission and knocking their heads on the ground | tion of the principle was concerned. It is also loudly bewailed their fate. This caused a crowd descrying, of note that this was the first launch to congregate, and talking the matter over among | propelled entirely by electricity which has ever themselves, they came to the conclusion that been seen, I believe, in the Far East. the priests had made away with the children," whole of the machinery, which will go within and as evidence of the fact they averted that a key sine oil case, was designed and manuthere were a number of cossins on the factured in Canton by Mr. G. A. Wiese, the premises. The coffins were there, but able and energetic superintendent of the Canton they were intended for members of the Mission | Electric Light Company. The motor was who died at Wahu. Some time ago, two Chinese of 2 H.P. nom., weighing 210lbs, only, but Sisters or nuns had been at Wuhu, and they to test the strength of the motor the boat used to talk to the children of Wuhu, perhaps was fully laden with 21 storage batteries weighput their hands on their heads, when speaking ing 1050lbs. These accumulators were made to them. So the natives said these nuns were by the Pacific Electrical Storage Company capable of striking deaf and dumb those they of San Francisco. The launch had on board s touched. All this the crowd talked about and persons, bringing up its weight to about were finally worked up to such a pitch, that they | 2, coolbs., and although only able to work Saturday evening last, by Messrs. Dedwell, made an attack on the Roman Catholic premises at half speed on account of the newrons Carlill and Co., from Shanghai. The Albany and as they came in at the front the priests of the machinery, she was driven at about was a steamer of 2,000 tons carrying capacity, escaped by the back. The mob set fire to the 13 knots an hour through the water. and was built at Leith. Her owners are Messrs. place, pouring oil on the woodwork to make it a new launch specially built and of slightly stated to be over a million tacls. John Warrick & Co. She was to leave burn better. The rioters dug up some graves on Nagasaki on Saturday forenoon for Shanghal, the premises and broke open the coffins. The where she would take in a quantity of cargo | report that an old woman and two children were for New York and then come on here to fill up. | burnt to death fortunately turns out to be incor-But very little space had been reserved for rect, as the missing woman has since arrived at

The Chinese men-of-war which arrived at a p.m. on Wednesday were on their way up the river escorting H.E. Shen Ping-cheng, Governor of Anhui, the late acting Viceroy at Nanking, who left here last week, and had no knowledge of the riot at Wuhu till they arrived there. They archored abreast of the vamen and after the Consul had been on board, shifted their berths and moored inside the bulks so as to be able to get at the mob if necessary. Before they had arrived, some fifteen of the rioters had been arrested and tied up, but H.E. suggested to the Taotal that he should release them, for if he wanted them again, he could always find them, At 5 p.m. the men-of-war fired blank cartridge and soon after it began to rain and the mob commenced to melt away.

By 7 p.m. the mob was quieter, and during the night the soldiers were firing blank cartridge to scare the people away. At 0.30 a.m. on Thursday there was a small fire but it was soon put out. At I a.m. the Yuenwo arrived, having made a smart run down from Kiuklang in response to a telegram, and at 6 a.m. the Tehsking left for Shanghai and the Yuenwo left

The mob went systematically to work and pulled down the buildings as if they were paid for the job. They carefully took the hinges off the doors and windows, using screwdrivers, so that they might be sold or used again, and took away in boats all they could carry. Before the houses were fired a man dressed in silks, with a fan in one hand and a red flag in the other, directed the mob where they were to work.

On the morning of Wednesday, when the second riot occurred, the rioters encouraged each. other with cries of ta, ta, and then proceeded to on this point is sound. the R. C. Mission. They could be seen streaming into the compound like swarms of ants, and their numbers were estimated at 10,000. The mob did not make any demonstrations against the Methodist Episcopal (American) Mission, which is some distance from the Roman Catholic premises, but the British Consul told the missionaries that he would not take any responsibility in the event of further trouble, so they came away in the Tehshing, but Mr. Whalley remained behind, living on the hulk with the other foreigners. Two of the ladies who came down in the steamer lost everything they had and only escaped in what they stood upright in.

The Tenshing arrived at Wuhu at 6 a.m. on Wednesday and was soon afterwards informed of the riot. She went alongside the Li-tai, where they found the ladies and children of Wuhu on board, this hulk having been selected as it is an iron one and could not be so easily destroyed as the wooden ones. They were all taken on board the Tekshing and Captain Cain and his officers and engineers did all they could and had been seen by the Ella. They had arrived at Chinkiang an hour before the Tehshing. While the mob was demolishing the Cathedral Captain Cain went on shore and walked up to the place, but was not molested, although he stayed some time looking on at the work of destruction.

.The French man-of-war Inconstant was nine miles below Chinklang on Thursday at 6 p.m., and H.M.S. Linnet having been found by the ordinary mortals. They are always considered | His Excellency the Viceroy is immensely tugboat sent to look for her, got back to Woosung | at least one grade or degree higher than anybody | pleased at the way in which the German paper soon after noon on Friday. She was detained for a pilot, but Mr. Flood went down to her in the afternoon and she then proceeded to Wuhu. The report that Mr. Ford, the British Consul,

was wounded, seems to have been a mistake.

The Mercury says that the refugees were :---Mrs. Colin Ford, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Knapp, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Molland, and 2 children, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart and 2 children, Mrs. Russell and 2 children, Mrs. and Master Harrow, and three Catholic priests from Chinking, At Chinklang the Tekshing was stopped and searched by the Commissioner of Customs, the Police and the English Consul, for the ringleader of the Wuhn rioters, who was supposed to have secreted bimself on board, but the search proved fruitless. Those who lost most in the disturbance were Mr. and Mrs. Russell, whose house was completely wrecked, their property being destroyed in the most wanton manner, no stolen, but tossed out of the windows and dell berately destroyed. The fine Catholic Cathedral is a blackened and unsightly heap of ruins, if was torn down, it is said, by the rioters in order to exhume the bodies of two native children, whom the ruffians alleged the priests thad murdered and burled there.

CANTON,

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT,) The Netherlands Consul from Amoy is here engaged in diplomatic negotiation with His Excellency the Viceroy in regard to Swalow matters, which place is likewise within the Consular jurisdiction. It is quita refreshing these days of : Consular immobility or powerlessness to come across an official courteous and gentlemanly, and one who does not hesitate to of the station will see his way to at once send a claim Treaty rights for his nation and to gunboat to be stationed between Chinklang and compel their recognition by the authorities. this port. A man-of-war was telegraphed for on "Conciliatory, but firm," was a wise motto practised by Eastern diplomats, but alas.! has long been a dead letter so far as British; interests in China are concerned.

I have chronicled once or twice the progress the Canton Electric Light Company has made. Like all companies started in China on foreign. methods, it has had to experience its iditial. difficulties of me more cor less acute mature, sons and it was stated that they had been and within the next three months will make a H. Mandl & Co, filed with Li Hung-chang their have to, chronicle a new departure by thist of thirty million tacks to build the proposed Company in the all-important branch of science? | railway, and it was reported here that they had collected and things got so serious that the they are developing, vint Electrical power secured the loan; but that is too good to be true,

smaller dimensions, the same motor will be used, but fitted with a set of the latest pyttern of primary batteries, weighing only 250 lbs. in all, and holding solution for 24 hours' continuous working, and it 'is expected a speed of at least o knots will be attained. The important consequences, in the near future, of the development of this principle as a motive power is apparent at a glance-no noise, no smoke, no inconvenience, everything within a small compass of but a few square feet, and working as easily as putting the hands of a clock forward or backward as the vessel is required to go ahead or astern. Its cheapness in comparison with steam engine and boiler power likewise bears a significant ratio.

The thunder storm of yesterday did not pass off without sundry fatal mishaps. No less than four large junks in the river were capsized and numbers drowned, also sundry houses in the city are reported to have collapsed, while an unfortunate man attempting to gain shelter at the Customs shed is reported to have been struck by lightning and killed within a few inches of that energetic Customs official Mr. "Intimation" Loft, in fact the shock was so great as to make the prefix of the first letter in the alphabet a probable necessity in describing

this able officer's possible abode shortly. The celebrated specialists in eye and ear complaints-Dr. Engler and Mr. Abrahamson, have been well patronized during their sojourn here by the high authorities, as well as the native community of Canton. They have also done a considerable amount of good work in a benevolent spirit amongst the poorer sections of the community, who certainly flock in considerable numbers to benefit by the skill of these gentlemen, and depart with evidence of gratitude for the relief they experience. I have always considered China, more especially the north, r grand field for specialists in this particular branch of medical science, and I am more than ever convinced by recent experience that my opinion

SHANGHAI.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.) 5th May, 1891.

that they were not received in the Viceregal | carried through to completion in some way, Palace at Wu-chang is in itself suspicious. The if what I hear is true, that he was carried in a | there are large tracts of land yet under water. green chair with four bearers, the same as an ordinary Chinese Tao-tai or Foreign Consul of some kind. No doubt but the Chinese that they condescended to pay a Viceroy, instead Chinese Viceroys have no equals amongst ducts. who calls upon them. It is true that in going has vindicated the Chinese action in the matter to see Viceroy Chang Chih-tung they went to of the audience; and for the time being Gerthe very tip-top of the Viceregal class, to a man many occupies the position of the most who under different circumstances might have meritorious of all the Western "tributaries,"..... had reasonable hopes of one day succeeding to N. C. Daily News. the Throne of China and to Imperial honours, hence the homage payed him by the Russian

From Nanking I hear that many changes are likely to take place in the Government of that Province. The Admiral Wu. of the Nan Yang squadron, has already been deprived of his post. The Taotai of Shanghai is now trembling in his shoes for fear of being sent to learn the important functions appertaining to his rank, in the distant province of Kan Sub or elsewhere in Western China. The Chief Director of the Kinng-nan Arsenal, Liu, is also under a cloud, having already received notice of degradation to five degrees below his present brovet rank. All this will very likely give these gentlemen a less exalted notion of their own importance and lead or teach them to be a trifle more considerate towards all those who have not been so fortunate as themselves, in the matter of being descended from distinguished persons, or having made important and influential connections by marriage alliances, etc. Every dog must have his day.

The Athletic Sports came off on the Race Course yesterday, in the midst of a dust storm. The sun shone in the sky like a disc of silver, and the sky, was obscured with very fine dust brought over by the recent blow from the deserts of Mongolia, The sun in consequence did not roast anybody, nor the heat prove relaxing, in fact the weather was rather the other way, that Is bracing to those who had to undergo violent show, and Regatta to come off this season, and If the weather is as good as it was yesterday we may expect to have some pleasure on those days, We are glad to hear you are going to build a Railroad to Canton and hope it will prove a successful and profitable undertaking for all

E(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.) Tientsin, April 28th.

local prejudice or opposition, but it has en- it is stated that Mr. H. Mandi is awaiting his Some days ago, two Chinese women lost their joyed singular good fortune in this respect, arrival at Tungchow. Last November Messrs. kidnapped by the Jesuits. The women went to practical show, second not even to Hong- tender, with terms and conditions, on behalf of at Reduced Rates. The women went to practical show, second not even to Hong- tender, with terms and conditions, on behalf of at Reduced Rates. kong, in illuminating this ancient city. . Linow | their friends in Vienna, in regard to the big loan Taotal was appealed to, and the crowd was applied as a propelling sgency to launches. On slthdogtr many people here, both Chinese and Company's loffice, 35 and 40, Quien's Road dispersed. On Tuesday morning news arrived Wednesday alternoon, an extemporised launch loreigners, declare it is, and that Mr. Hans is on Central, Hongkong. exactly clear. The earlier telegram said that | earlier telegram said an his way to Peking to settle if finally. There is

no doubt that Messrs. Mandl & Co. did tender for the loan through their Chinese friends at Peking. They have also been very successful in regard to pushing forward the bronze-steel guns and smokeless powder, and at Peking they have Herr von Brandt at their backs, who is one of the best officials in Peking for mercantile purposes,

I enclose you a copy of a sketch map of the licking Western Hills where the rich coal and mineral mines are situated, the same is furnished Hy the Chinese friends of Messrs. Mandl & Co. In this matter also Herr von Brandt is, I hear, taking a great interest.

It is definitely fixed that Li Hung-chang will flave Tientsin on the 21rd ulto, in the Hsinys Ihr Port Arthur, etc., on a tour of inspection.

Last night a fire broke out in the north-west suburb, known as Yui Shun Tsan, and I helieve it is still burning. Already over one hundred houses have been destroyed, the property of Then Taotal, valued at over Tls. 100,000. The value of goods stored in the godowns there is

Mr. Gardner, the new manager of the Hongkong Bank, accompanied by his wife, has left for Peking.

To-day Cheng, an Anhwei man and literary graduate, was beheaded. He with three others had been hangers on at the various camps, and they were arrested ten days ago, and tried and sentenced by a military court. They were. charged with being members of a secret society, of which Chang was said to be the chief, and for issuing the famous placard last year, inciting people to rise and kill all the foreigners, and then march to Peking. Ten days ago he tried on the same game, by sending to the military college a bogus official despatch duly signed. and sealed. His three associates were sentenced to be banished.

Mr. Ma Kle-tchong is still here, and daily visits Li Hung-chang. His visits are said to be in connection with the Chefoo gold mines. Mr. Watson, after seeing the Viceroy, left by the Fungshun for Chefoo to see what can be done with the Ping-tu gold mines, started by Mr.

Mr. Ma Kie-tchong is busy here making arrangements about the three new steamers which are to be added to the C.M.S.N. Co.'s fleet.-Mercury.

We learn that eight of the men who left Tongshan in a panic have been discharged, but nothing has been done with the Cantonese who were the cause of all the trouble. They certainly should have been dealt with for their assault whatever was done with the runaway foreigners. It is said that the former were simply allowed to retire from the place, in order, doubtless, to avoid the responsibility of dealing with them.

The scheme for improving the river has apparently fallen to the ground through the opposition of the Taotai. Only another illustration of how things are not done among the Celestials! If they would even keep the river channel free from obstruction from junks, it would be something in the interest of the growing trade connected with so important a place as Tientsin,

The French Municipality is still agitating its waterworks' scheme. Whether the British municipality, burdened with a "white elephant," will be able to join and make the scheme a I hear from Hankow that the reception of success, is uncertain. It hardly seems possible the Russian Princes by the Chinese Officials was | for the smaller body slone to carry it through. not altogether satisfactory. And indeed the fact It is greatly to be hoped that the scheme can be

After a succession of cloudy, damp days, we Office of Works at Han-yang, where the iron are now having dry, hot, windy weather. and steel furnaces are being erected, may be a | Vegetation is coming forward quite rapidly. The hice place in which to receive native Officials | water on the plain is gradually recoding, mainly who have never seen such things, but hardly the from evaporation. It was not as high by several place in which to receive Foreign Princes who inches as in the flood of 1870, and, if anything, is wish to see China as she really is on ordinary, receding more slowly. Where it was possible occasions. Again, Prince George appears to have to plant wheat last autumn, there is promise of been treated as a person of no great consequence, a good yield. So of the spring-sown wheat. But

The bund at Trechulin presents a busy apuses, this is no doubt the same old story, pearance during the whole shipping season, as to make them comfortable, and brought them on | China is the first nation on earth! China it is used as a transit godown for the whole to Shanghai. At Chinkiang they picked up the has; no equals in point of size, population import trade; but at present all other merpriests who had escaped from Wuhu in a boat and political importance; all other nations are chandise is overshadowed by the immense stacks her vassals and are expected to bring her tribute of rice which are piled up along its whole length and breadth, and as high as a house. The historians will soon be bothering their heads as | wholesale destruction of the cereal crops by the to the nature of the tribute the Russian Princes | floods last summer has left a large vacuum to be brought when they visited Hankow. The fact filled up by imported grain, and such is the scarcity of the northern grains that rice which is of the Emperor, a visit, is so much in favour of | in ordinary times a luxury beyond the means of the assertion that they are tributaries, because | the people is now cheaper than their own pro-

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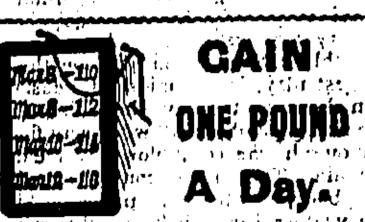
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Company—\$81 per share, buyers, Tonquin Coal Mining Co.-\$400 per share, The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited-\$65 per share/buyers. The East Borneo Planting Co., Limited-\$10 per share, sellers. H. G. Brown & Co., Limited-\$51 per share, The Songel Koyah Planting Co., Limited-\$131 per share, buyers.

Cruickshank & Co., Limited-\$35 per share, nominal. The Steam Launch Co., Limited -nominal. The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Company, Limited-\$13 per share, sellers The China-Borneo Co., Limited -- \$16 per share,

The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Limited - \$12 per share, sellers. The Green Island Cement Co. \$17 per share, The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Limited-

\$86 per share, sellers. The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Limited-\$6 per share, sellers. Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited-\$14 per share, The West Point Buildings Co., Limited-\$30 per share, sellers. The Peak Hotel and Trading Co., Limited \$8 per share, sellers. The Labuk Planting Co., Limited \$25, per

share, sellers. The Lamag Planting Co., Limited --- \$7 per share. The Jelebu Mining and Trading Co., Limited-\$23 per share, sellers The Selama Tin Mining Co., Limited-\$1 per share, sellers.

The Shameen Hotel Co., Limited—nominal. The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Limited ... \$15 per share, buyers. The Bank of China & Japan & the Straits Ld. \$17 per share, sellers. The Bank of China & Japan & the Straits Ld: Founders' shares, £ 180 per share, sellers,

The Hongkong Marina, Ld. -nominal. London and Pacific Petroleum Co., Ld - £15. The National Bank of China, Ld. 30 per cent. dis., sellers. The National Bank of China Ld .- Founders

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SHIPPING IN HONGKONG

Hongkong, Observatory, 19th May, 1891.

ASAGAO, Japanese steamer, 1,521, H. Selck, 19th::
.... May, -- Nagazaki 14th May, Coals. -- Mitsu Bishi Collery. BATAVIA, British steamer, 1,661, J. R. Hill,

- 13th May, - Whampon 14th May, General, - Dodwell, Carlill & Co. BENVENUE, British steamer, 1,496, Thomson, 10th May,—Singapore: 13th May, General. -Gibb. Livingston & Co.

BOWTRY, British steamer. 1,540, Wattley. 12th May, -- Cardiff 26th March, Coals .-- British .Government.: CHEANG-HOCK KIAN, British steamer, 927. H. Dinsdale, 18th May, -Singapore 10th May, and Holbow 16th, General.—Chinese.

CHELYDRA, British esteamer, 1,574, G. Payne, 17th May, Saigon 13th May, General. CHOYSANG, British steamer, 1,194, R. C. D. Bradley, 17th May,-Whampon 17th May, General .- Jardine, Matheson & Co. DEVAMONGSE, British steamer, 1,057, P. H. Loff,

t8th May Bangkok via Holhow roth May, General -- Yuen Fat Hong. DONAR: German steamer, 1,015, B. Grundmann, 16th May -Salgon 12th May, General and Paddy.-Wieler & Co.

FAME, British steamer, 117, Lieut. Wm. G.:

Comley: R.N.R.-Hongtong Government FORMOSA, British steamer, 674, T. P. Hall, 17th May,-Tambul 14th May, Amoy 15th, and Swatow 16th, General,-Douglas Lapraik & Co. 11 to 1 miles

May, -- Whampon' 17th May, General. -- C. M. S. N. Co. GARLIC, British steamer, 4,209, W. G. Pearne, 18th May,-San Francisco 25th April, and Yokohama 13th May, Mails and General

FUSHUN, Chinese steamer, 1,504, A. Croad, 17th

GLENFRUIN, British steamer, 1,936, E. Norman, 13th May,-Salgon oth May, Rice-Jardine: Matheson & Co. HAILOONG, British steamer, 786, J. Roach, 15th May,-Temsul 11th May, Amoy 12th, and Swatow 14th, General.—D. Lapraik & Co. HAIPHONG, French steamer, 844, Bousquet, 19th

May,-Halphong 16th May, General,-Messageries Maritimes. APAN, British steamer, 1,865, J. G. Olifent, 13th May, Calcutta 26th April, and Singapore 6th May, Oplum and General.-Dia Sassoon, Sons & Co.

COMMUN EMMA: Dutch steamer; 1,070, Tie W.:.

Soomer, 18th May,—Singapore 11th May, Sugar, and Oil.—Jardine, Matheson & Co. MENMUIR. British steamer. 1,287. H. Craig. 15th May, -Sydney 23rd April, Townsville 28th. Cooktown 29th, Thursday Island: 1st May, and Port Darwin 5th; Coal and General.—Russell & Co.

NAMEIANG British steamer; 1,000, Woolridge, / 19th May, Saigon 16th May, General, Chinesers PERING, German steamer, 954, F. Schultz, 18th May,--Whampon 18th May, General,--Siemssen & Co. POLLUK, German, str., 898, H. Helimers, 13th:

May, -Saigon 8th May, Rice and Paddy. -Melchers & Co. ENA CRISTINA Spanish man-of-war, 3,090, Captain Inglisias, 15th May,-Manila 12th SIAM, British steamer, 991, John M. Tulloch,

74th May Saigon 10th May, Rice. Chee Bee & Co.tu TELLUS, : Norwegian str., 1,619, F. Amundsen, 18th May .- Kutchinetzu 12th May, Coals. Mitsul Bussan Kalshai TEHERAM, British steamer, 1,68 (G. W. Hall, arth May - Bombay 25th April, and Single pore gih May. General. -P. & O. S. N. Co. THISBE, Austro-Hungarian steamer, 2,868, G.7 Costanzo, 14th May,-Trieste, via Bombay; 74th: April; and Singapore isthe May,

Tritos, German steamer, 1,346;: Li:Hse'er, 14th May -- Woha 8th May, Rice. -- Good R. Stevens & Co. ZAFIRO, British_steamer, 675, A. W. R. Cobban, 18th May, Manila 15th May, General.—Russell & Co.

BAILING YESEELS.

ADOLPH OBRIG, American bark, 1,376, F. Carle-

General .- D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.

ton, 5th March,-New York 31st August, Kerosche Oll.—Reuter, Brockelmano & Co. ALTAIR, British bark, 399, J. Munro, 6th May Tameni 30th April, Coals.—Wieler & Co. Austria, British bark, 1,105, Geo. N. Dakin, 30th April, -New York 11th Nov., Kerosene Oller-Orden the trolly the main to be CAMBUEDOOM; British ship, 1,197. Rai Carland, 19th May -- New York 28th Nov., Petroleum;

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COLUMBUS, German ship, 1,428, Lt. Hacsloop, 111 21st April, Singapore 20th March, Timber, Malchers & Courses of the house the best of Dox Justo! American! bark, 708, B. Nelison, 19121st April, Singapore (28th Feb., Timber, Bon Captains Admi, regulative a to refer a light but of the DOROTHEA German back, 620, H. F. Moeller, 25:25th March,-Hamburg 20th Oct., General. Siemseen & Com Lit. Veru Ch Stone & Sylving

DOROTHY, British back, 310, Angus Croal, 21st April,—Pitago 2nd April, Timber.—Gibb, Livingston & Co. Hydra, Danish back, 786, C. Christensen, 26th April Hamburg (th December, General.—Carlowitz & Co.
KRISTINA NILESON, German brig. 180, C. J.

Boysen, 7th-May,—Talwanfoo 5th May,
Sugar,—Chinese.

McLaures, American ship, 1,313, Y. L. Oakes,
28th April,—New York 30th November,
Petroleum,—Order.

Saa Markanes, Peruvian achooner, 245, A.
Maniatgin, 4th July,—Salgon 27th June,
Rica,—Captain.

St. James, American ship, 1,487, W. D. Burn,
ham, 18th April,—Shanghai 21st April,

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